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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

J. H. Henline ..... Spruce Pine
Roy D. Campbell ..... Bakersville
Warren Pritchard ..... Spruce Pine
W. C. Berry ..... Bakersville
G. W. Greene ..... Spruce Pine
C. L. Hoilman ..... Toecane
Reid Queen ..... Little Switzerland
W. A. McKinney ..... Bakersville

REPORTS FOR NEXT SESSION

Orphanage ..... G. H. Glass
Christian Education ..... Boyd Cannon
Hospitals ..... W. T. Baucom
Christian Literature ..... C. A. Buchanan
Foreign Missions ..... M. L. Ross
Home Missions ..... Roy Campbell
State Missions ..... W. M. Turbyfill
Aged Ministers ..... J. C. Brown
Sunday Schools ..... Oliver Young
W. M. U. ..... Mrs. N. G. Pitman
B. T. U. ..... Deiter Wilson

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

Oliver Young, Superintendent ..... Bakersville
Next annual session to be held with Beaver Creek Church on Friday after the first Sunday in August 1942.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Mrs. N. G. Pittman, Superintendent ..... Spruce Pine
Next associational W. M. U. meeting will be held with Grassy Creek Church in June 1942.

CONSTITUTION

MITCHELL COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

AMENDED AT 1938 SESSION

Name

Article 1. The name of the body shall be "The Mitchell County Baptist Association."

Object

Article 2. It shall be the object of this Association to furnish the Gospel to all the people of this Association, and to co-operate with the Baptist State Convention in giving the Gospel to all the world.

Membership

Article 3. Membership of this Association shall consist of three classes: 1st. The officers of the Association; 2nd. Pastors of Baptist Churches affiliated with the Association: 3rd. Messengers elected by the churches affiliated with the Association. Every church shall be entitled to three messengers, and one additional messenger for every twenty-five members beyond the first one hundred members.

Officers

Article 4. The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, a Vice-Moderator, a Clerk, a Treasurer, and a Historian. All these shall be elected by the Association in its annual meeting and shall hold office for one year, or until their successors are elected.

Boards and Committees

Article 5. The Association shall elect each year the following committee: The Executive Committee, consisting of five members from the Association at large. The Moderator, Vice-Moderator and Clerk of the Association shall also be members of this Committee. The committee shall have charge of the work of the Association between meetings of the Association. It shall make a written report to the Association at each meeting of the Association. 2nd. A promotion Committee: This Committee shall consist of the Moderator, Vice-Moderator and Clerk of the Association; also the Superintendent of the County Sunday School Convention, the general director of the B. T. U. of the Association, the president of the W. M. U. and one additional member from each church affiliated with the Association, and all pastors of the Association. Nine members of this committee shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. This committee shall bear the responsibility of bringing the churches of the Association to co-operation with the program of the Baptist State Convention.

Meetings

Article 6. The Association shall meet annually on Thursday after the Fourth Sunday in August. The fiscal year of the churches affiliated with the Association shall end July 31. Each church shall then prepare its letter to the Association, forward the same to the Clerk at least two weeks before the date of the meeting of the Association. At the request of the Executive Committee. The Moderator may change the time of the meeting of the Association if good and sufficient reason therefor shall occur.

Vacancies

Article 7. The Executive Committee may fill any vacancies occurring in this organization between meetings of the Association. Those so elected will hold office till the next meeting of the Association.

Amendments

1. This constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any session of the Association. Provided that notice of such amendment be given on the first day and the vote taken at the morning session of the second day.

By-Laws

1. Any church desiring admission into the fellowship of this body shall make application to the Executive Committee not less than two weeks before the meeting of the Association, and shall submit evidence of orthodoxy in faith and practice, and be ready to give any further information required by the Committee.

The Executive Committee shall submit its recommendations at the first session of the Association to make further investigation as to the desirability of admitting church making application. On the admission of this applicant. When this vote is favorable, the messengers shall receive the hand of fellowship by the Moderator.

2. Any church being shown to have departed from the doctrines or practices recognized by this Association may be suspended or excluded from the Association at any regular meeting by a majority vote of the messengers present.

IN MEMORIAM

BEAVER CREEK

Mrs. Jane Pendley

BERRY CHAPEL

Mr. Milas G. Woody
Mr. Bill Buchanan
Mr. Joseph Harrison, Jr.

CANE CREEK

Mr. Cleophos Buchanan
Mrs. Ellie Ward
Miss Rose Ella Buchanan

GRASSY CREEK

Miss Hannah Hollifield
Mrs. Agness Cox
Mr. Clayton Byrd

LIBERTY HILL

Deacon T. L. Cox
Deacon J. G. Buchanan
Mr. Kendrick Bartlett
Mr. Clayton Garland

LILY BRANCH

Mr. Dexter Jarrett

LITTLE ROCK CREEK

Mrs. Minnie Buchanan
Mrs. Jane Burleson

MINE CREEK

Deacon S. C. Young
Mrs. Gilbert Grindstaff

MT. CARMEL

Deacon J. W. Buchanan

McKINNEY COVE

Deacon J. L. McKinney

PINE BRANCH

Mrs. Nan Young
Miss Pauline King

REBELS CREEK

Mrs. N. H. Boone

ROAN MOUNTAIN

Mr. R. M. Wilson
Mr. L. P. Peterson
Mrs. Pantha Loury

SILVER CHAPEL

Mrs. Berdella Presnell

SPRUCE PINE FIRST

Mrs. Senia Henson

SPRUCE PINE CENTRAL

Mrs. Emma McCall

TOECANE

Deac. Henderson Johnson
Mrs. Lou Callahan

RECORD OF ROAN MOUNTAIN AND MITCHELL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Year	Place of Meeting	Moderator
1849	Double Island	Moses Peterson
1850	Beaver Creek	Leonard Buchanan
1851	Roan Mountain	Leonard Buchanan
1852	Grassy Creek	Leonard Buchanan
1853	Laurel Branch	James Ray
1854	Big Rock Creek	Leonard Buchanan
1855	Bear Creek	Leonard Buchanan
1856	Crabtree	Leonard Buchanan
1857	Mine Creek	Leonard Buchanan
1858	Bald Creek	James Collis
1859	Roan Mountain	S. M. Collis
1860	Pleasant Grove	Leonard Buchanan
1861	Double Island	Leonard Buchanan
1862	Zion	S. M. Collis
1863	Big Meadow	S. M. Collis
1864	Pleasant Grove	S. M. Collis
1865	Beaver Creek	John Autrey
1866	Crabtree	S. M. Collis
1867	Mine Creek	S. M. Collis
1868	Jacks Creek	S. M. Collis
1869	Roan Mountain	H. W. Briggs
1870	Laurel Branch	H. W. Briggs
1871	Grassy Creek	S. M. Collis
1872	Fork Mountain	S. M. Collis
1873	Mt. Pleasant	S. M. Collis
1874	Bear Creek	S. M. Collis
1875	Yellow Mountain	S. M. Collis
1876	Roan Mountain	S. M. Collis
1877	Little Rock Creek	J. C. Sparks
1878	Grassy Creek	S. M. Collis
1879	Cub Creek	S. M. Collis
1880	Cane Creek	S. M. Collis
1881	Rain Hill	S. M. Greene
1882	Bakersville	S. M. Collis
1883	Bear Creek	S. M. Collis
1884	Roan Mountain	S. M. Greene
1885	Little Rock Creek	S. M. Greene
1886	Toe River	L. H. Greene
1887	Elk Park	S. M. Collis
1888	Mine Creek	J. W. Duncan
1889	Grassy Creek	J. W. Duncan
1890	Aaron	S. M. Greene
1891	Fork Mountain	J. C. Sparks
1892	Big Rock Creek	W. G. Buchanan

1893	Big Meadows	S. M. Greene
1894	Roan Mountain	L. H. Greene
1895	Lily Branch	L. H. Greene
1896	Mt. Pleasant	S. M. Greene
1897	Little Rock Creek	S. M. Greene
1898	Bear Creek	S. M. Greene
1899	Yellow Mountain	S. M. Greene
1900	Bakersville	S. M. Greene
1901	Liberty Hill	S. M. Greene
1902	Cane Creek	S. M. Greene
1903	Aaron	S. M. Greene
1904	Roan Mountain	S. M. Greene
1905	Roaring Creek	S. M. Greene
1906	Bear Creek	S. M. Greene
1907	Grassy Creek	S. M. Greene
1908	Silver Chapel	S. M. Greene
1909	Bakersville	L. H. Greene
1910	Pleasant Hill	L. H. Greene
1911	Spruce Pine	L. H. Greene
1912	Cane Creek	S. M. Greene
1913	Fork Mountain	L. H. Greene
1914	Lily Branch	J. A. Gouge
1915	Bakersville	C. E. Greene
1916	Little Rock Creek	S. M. Greene
1917	Cub Creek	W. F. Dodson
1918	Liberty Hill	S. M. Greene
1919	Roan Mountain	S. M. Greene
1920	Spruce Pine	S. M. Greene
1921	Lily Branch	S. M. Greene
1922	Bakersville	S. M. Greene
1923	Grassy Creek	C. G. Ellis
1924	Fork Mountain	C. G. Ellis
1925	Pine Branch	C. G. Ellis
1926	Little Rock Creek	W. C. Berry
1927	Toecane	J. H. Henline
1928	Bakersville	J. H. Henline
1929	Cane Creek	J. H. Henline
1930	Silver Chapel	J. H. Henline
1931	Snow Hill	J. H. Henline
1932	Spruce Pine	J. H. Henline
1933	Roan Mountain	J. H. Henline
1934	Mine Creek	R. D. Campbell
1935	Black Mountain	R. D. Campbell
1936	Bear Creek	R. D. Campbell
1937	Beaver Creek	R. D. Campbell
1938	Lily Branch	R. D. Campbell
1939	Cub Creek	R. D. Campbell
1940	White Oak	R. D. Campbell
1941	Snow Hill	J. H. Henline

ASSOCIATIONAL DELEGATES FOR THE 1941 SESSION

ALTAPASS—John Hall and Deward Hefner.

BAD CREEK—Will R. Garland, Monroe Yelton, and Earl Burleson.

BAKERSVILLE—J. D. Dennis, G. M. Baker, George L. Greene, James Berry, Mrs. J. D. Dennis, Mrs. G. M. Baker, and Mrs. J. C. McBee.

BEAR CREEK—Grace Duncan, Mrs. J. C. Buchanan Jerry Duncan, M. C. Pitman, Mrs. Virgil Pitman, Mrs. R. H. Duncan, and J. Y. Sparks.

BEAVER CREEK—Mrs. Dock Henline, Miss Ruth Pitman, Milton Swann, Ira Burleson, C. B. Freeman and Mrs. Rosa Hise.

BERRY CHAPEL—Bob Buchanan, Brown Buchanan, Herman Duncan, Tom Green, and A. Ward.

BIG CRABTREE—C. A. Ledford, Lattie Willis, Lizzie Sparks and Pearl Gurley.

BLACK MOUNTAIN—L. A. Conley and Reid Queen.

CANE CREEK—Ralph Greene, Will Stamey, Wyatte Woody, Virgil Buchanan, Mrs. Bill Greene, and Mrs. Marve Dellinger.

CUB CREEK—C. L. Hoilman, Mrs. C. L. Hoilman, David Bennett, Mrs. David Bennett, Walter Webb, Mollie Webb, Will Canipe, Claude Parker and Mary Forbes.

FORK MOUNTAIN—D. M. Cook, T. C. Cook, Milton Hughes, Miss Pearl Edwards, Mrs. Mae Cook and Frank McKinney.

GRASSY CREEK—T. K. Quinn, T. W. Dale, Warren Pritchard, Mrs. C. S. Dale and Mrs. James Hall.

LIBERTY HILL—J. C. Hoyles, Clifford McGee, D. W. Hoppas, Mrs. Joe Blalock, Coy Self, Mrs. Mearl Woody, and Mrs. Myrtle Hoyles.

LILY BRANCH—Frona Murdock, F. O. Phillips, Mrs. F. O. Phillips, Jobe Murdock, Mrs. Dave Hoyles, Jessie Greene, Charles Huskins, and Mrs. Nan Huskins.

LITTLE ROCK CREEK—C. H. Ward, Hanford Wilson, R. P. Randolph, Aught Burleson, John Randolph, Green Ledford and Mack Ellis.

MINE CREEK—R. M. Davis, Robert McKinney, Mrs. Delia Greene Mrs. Augusta Johnson, Squibb Grindstaff, Mrs. Ethel Greene, Mrs. Belle Greene, Robert Greene and John Parsons.

MT. CARMEL—Nelson Henline, Waits Pitman, Larkin Freeman, Jimmie Burleson and Cole Pitman.

McKINNEY COVE—W. A. McKinney, Fred McKinney, James McKinney, Mrs. W. A. McKinney, and Mrs. Fred McKinney.

PINE BRANCH—Adam Pitman, Ruben Sparks, Chivus Sparks, Huriah Brown, Bill Long and Will Buchanan.

REBELS CREEK—G. H. Howell, Oscar Murdock, Dan Jarrett, and Mrs. Oscar Murdock.

ROAN MOUNTAIN—Rafe Johnson, Tarp Turbyfill, W. M. Turbyfill, Clarence Johnson, Mrs. Leiter Slagle, Mrs. Lou Conley, Mrs. Etta Stamey, Miss June Hughes, C. M. Young, and Mrs. C. M. Young.

SILVER CHAPEL—Mrs. Ralph Jarrett, Mrs. Beulah Hensley, Miss Hattie Putnam, Graham Howell, Will Hensley, Bryan Robinson, and Jeff Sparks.

SNOW HILL—S. J. Blalock, Squibb Grandstaff, Simon Grindstaff, Zeb Wilson, Charlie Grindstaff, Willie Buchanan and Mrs. Cora Wilson.

SPRUCE PINE FIRST—Mrs. Floyd Duncan, N. G. Pitman, D. P. Turbyfill, Ed W. Young and Mrs. Ben Blakney.

SRUCE PINE CENTRAL—Lawrence Buchanan, R. B. Sparks, George W. Greene, Mrs. Ed Willis, Mrs. Clifton Gibbs, Mrs. R. P. Stroupe, Sam English, and Mrs. Edith Wilkins.

TOECANE—Decoster Johnson, Homer Johnson, George McKinney, Inez Johnson, J. Fred Rudd, Stewart Johnson and Eileen Johnson.

WHITE OAK—T. J. Buchanan, J. L. Wilson, W. J. Henline, L. H. Cate, Charles Wilson and A. V. Wilson.

PROCEEDINGS

of the thirty-ninth annual session of the

MITCHELL COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Held With

SNOW HILL BAPTIST CHURCH

THURSDAY MORNING, AUGUST 28

Devotional—Rev. J. H. Black.

Roll call of churches. Twenty-six churches were represented on the morning of the first day.

Recognition of visitors. Among those present were Supt. Smith Hagaman of the Baptist Hospital, J. A. McMillan representing the Baptist Orphanage, Rev. R. H. Satterfield on behalf of the Biblical Recorder, and M. A. Huggins of the State Mission Board.

The report on Christian Literature was not ready at the time and was postponed until the following day. Rev. R. H. Satterfield brought a very forceful message on the power of the Christian press.

Report on Hospitals was not given because Rev. Boyd Cannon was sick and unable to attend the association. However, the Baptist Hospital was well represented by Supt. Smith Hagaman who delivered one of the best messages to be heard during the annual gathering.

Assignment to homes—Rev. G. H. Glass.

Motion carried that the introductory sermon be postponed until night at which time Rev. R. H. Satterfield agreed to preach.

Adjourned until 2:00 P. M.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Devotional—Rev. Floyd Ledford.

Report on Baptist Orphanage—Rev. W. M. Turbyfill. Following the reading and adoption of this report, Rev. J. A. McMillan, editor of **Charity and Children**", brought an unusually fine message on the orphanage work now being carried on by North Carolina Baptists.

Report On Baptist Orphanage

During the past year our orphans home has progressed well. Under the able leadership of Mr. I. G. Greer, great things have been done. All the girls and boys at Mills Home in Thomasville and Kennedy home at Kinston belong to the members of the Baptist Sunday schools of our state. We must provide for them well. In order to do our share each church should send a monthly collection of cash, a bountiful supply of food products each fall, a generous Thanksgiving Day offering, and have a club of subscribers to Charity and Children in each church. We can never feel the pride we should in our help for the orphans until every church in our Association adopts this four-way plan.

Respectfully Submitted,
W. M. Turbyfill

Report on Home Missions was given by J. D. Dennis and the report on State Missions was given by Rev. W. T. Baucom. Both reports were adopted. M. A. Huggins of the State Mission Board then addressed the gathering on the general subject of missions, emphazing the various phases of Baptist work along this line.

Report On Home Missions

The ninety-sixth annual report of the Home Mission Board reveals marked progress on every field, as shown by the following brief summary:

Pentecostal Results in Soul-Winning

"Marvelous and multitudinous victories" in soul-winning have come from God, according to Dr. Roland Q. Leavell superintendent of evangelism. Tentative figures indicate that approximately a quarter of a million people have been won to Christ and baptized in the past year, thus making our church membership more than 5,000,000.

Missionary Achievements

On the Cuban field, according to the report of Superintendent M. N. McCall, there are fifteen more workers than were reported a year ago. The present force of 87 missionaries in Cuba delivered last year 9,815 sermon, made 55,714 missionary visits, baptized 261, and ministered to 4,544 church members in the 57 churches on the island.

Dr. J. W. Beagle, field secretary, reports 260 workers in the department of missions in the homeland. Thirty new missionaries have been appointed. The 260 workers serve 186 churches and 498 mission stations. The 186 churches report a membership of 16,000. Our workers report 4,932 conversions, 2,468 baptisms, 21,726 contacted in personal work, 302 Sunday schools, 256 revival meetings.

Jewish Trophies

This marks the twentieth year of Rev. Jacob Gartenhaus' work with the Home Mission Board, a year which he says has witnessed perhaps the greatest awakening on the part of the Jews toward

Christ. The Jews themselves are demanding more and more that an intelligent presentation of the Gospel be given through the printed page.

Southern Baptists In National Defense

The Home Mission Board has an exceptionally important role to play in the work of spiritual ministry to the men serving in our national defense, according to Dr. Noble Y. Beall, Home Mission Board's contact man in the army camps. This defense program has brought on a crisis which if not successfully met will bring consequences that will affect organized religion in ways which will prove to be most disastrous.

In the Board's work on Negro campuses under the direction of Dr. Beall there were enrolled the past school year 5,004 students. Teacher-missionaries taught 100 courses with 1,795 students enrolled in these classes, enrollment including 377 ministers.

Respectfully Submitted,
J. D. Dennis

Report On State Missions

In a report as brief as this must be it is impossible to present a complete picture of State Missions. In the early years of our convention work the main emphasis was on evangelism, establishment of churches, and pastoral support. In recent years the field has been greatly enlarged.

The following quotation from the Constitution of the Baptist State Convention shows that the work is fivefold. "The object of the Convention shall be to promote Missions, Education, Social Service, distribution and study of the Bible and sound religious literature; and to co-operate with the Southern Baptist Convention in its work". Thus we see that the agencies and activities of our convention have come as Baptists have increased in numbers and as their vision has enlarged.

In brief, the purpose of State Missions is to assist the churches in establishing the reign of Christ in the hearts of the people of North Carolina, and thereby affect all their varied relationships. In an effort to do this many agencies and means are used. These I can only mention with but little explanation.

The convention has always been interested in evangelism, in trying to win the lost to Christ. Much has been done but there are still millions unsaved in our state. The convention has and still seeks to establish churches in destitute places—assisting such churches in building and supporting pastors until they are strong enough to do it themselves..

Two general missionary workers, M. C. Alexander and J. C. Pipes give most of their time to the development of all the churches they can reach through the teaching of stewardship and emphasis on missions.

In the field of Sunday school work secretary L. L. Morgan, field workers Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Lane and a few other approved workers are busy trying to increase attendance, find teachers and effect better organization in the Sunday schools. Many training schools are held in an effort to accomplish these things.

In the B.T.U. department of training Rev. Nathan Brooks and his assistants, Miss Josephine Turner and Miss Maxine Slaughter, are kept busy. During the summer assisted by many college students they work in many associations. During the rest of the year they work with individual churches and in city wide campaigns in an effort to stimulate the churches in training the people and discovering leaders..

Mr. John Lawrence is secretary for student work in the colleges where some seven thousand Baptist students are enrolled. At Mars Hill and Meredith the Convention provides one to two weeks schools for pastors each summer; at the veterans hospital, at Oteen Rev. Wyman E. Wood ministers to the sick as part time chaplain; at Samarcand Rev. and Mrs. E. M. Harris minister to wayward girls—last July the 20th 36 of these were baptized on profession of faith. Rev. and Mrs. Harris provide a ministry at the State Sanitorium near Aberdeen.

The Convention is doing a little work among the negroes by paying part of the salary of their general Secretary, Rev. E. C. Griffin and the Secretary of their Sunday school and B.T.U. work

There is another work—a new type of work presenting a great opportunity just now. That is work among the soldiers in N. C. training camps. There are, perhaps, already 100,000 soldiers in these camps and will be many more. The government provides chapels and chaplains in the camps. But on week-ends these boys slip out of camps and go to nearby towns and cities. Our convention should help local churches provide workers and equipment to meet these new opportunities.

From this brief survey it is evident that the opportunities and responsibilities of State Missions are very great in North Carolina.

Funds for all this work must come: 1. From the co-operative program, 2. special offerings during the year, particularly from Woman's Missionary Societies in September and the Sunday schools in October, 3. from the Baptist Sunday school board, 4. and from profits from the Baptist Book Store and a small amount from invested funds.

Let us all pray more, work more and give more to this vital work.

Respectfully Submitted,
W. T. Baucom

Adjourned until 9:45 the next morning.

FRIDAY MORNING, AUGUST 29

Devotional—Rev. Frank Parsons.

Appointment of committees by the moderator:

a. Committee on Resolutions—Rev. W. T. Baucom and Rev. J. H. Henline.
b. Committee on Time, Place and Preacher—George W. Greene, Mack Pitman, and Warren Pritchard.
c. Committee to work with the various pastors and Sunday

School Superintendents in securing produce for the Baptist Orphanage—S. J. Blalock, Jeff Buchanan and Lane Buchanan.

W. M. U. report was read by the associational leader, Mrs. N. G. Pittman. The report was discussed at greater length by Rev. W. T. Baucom and Moderator Roy D. Campbell.

Report On Woman's Missionary Union

Jesus said, "Lift up your eyes and look on the fields." Indeed the task of every Baptist church is a missionary task.

The W. M. U. organization with its graded programs reaching all ages has been one of the greatest missionary factors in the world. Even as Jesus presented his disciples with a pattern for prayer in the sermon on the mount, so has the Woman's Missionary Union made prayer the first of its chief aims. This organization looks upon prayer as a "key which, being turned by the hand of faith, unlocks all God's treasures."

The missionary spirit is well stated by the poet as he said:

"The great world's aching, aching fiercely in the night,
And God alone can heal it, and God alone give light;
And the ones to bear that message and to speak the living word
Are you and I, my sisters, and the millions that have heard.
Can we close our eyes to duty?
Can we fold our hands at ease?
While the gates of night stand open to the pathway of the seas?
Can we shut up our compassion? Can we leave our prayers unsaid
Till the lands which sin has blasted have been quickened from the dead?"

Respectfully Submitted,
Mrs. N. G. Pitman

Report on Christian Literature was read by Rev. J. O. Summerlin. Report adopted.

Report On Religious Literature

The term "Religious Literature" includes: 1. The Bible; 2. Books dealing with religious problems; 3. The publications of the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention; 4. The religious papers owned and controlled or fostered by the denomination and 5. The Study Course Books.

1. Of the Bible most might be said; though little is necessary. It is the Book on which our belief and hopes rest. There can be no question about that, perhaps the chief consideration in connection with the Bible is whether we read and study it enough.

2. Books—Ecclesiastes 12:12 says: "Of making many books there is no end." There are many books dealing with religious and allied subjects which vary widely in their objectives and method of approach. The field of reading and studying should be cultivated by

every Baptist.

3. The list of publications of the Sunday School Board that are intended to help solve problems in the management of the Sunday School and young people work in the churches is astonishingly complete. The Sunday School Literature, the B.T.U. Literature and the Daily Vacation Bible School Literature supply the varied needs. In addition there are the monthlies, such as the "Commission", the "Baptist Student" and many others. In fact, we have furnished a full quota of tools with which to suppliment and clarify direct study of the Bible and to administer the work effectively.

4. Every organized movement, if ti would be an effective active force among men, must have a medium of publication for the promulgation and promotion of its principles. In case of religious bodies, the denominational papers and magazines perform this function. We have in our own State two publications: "The Biblical Recorder," and "Charity and Children." There are other papers and magazines that help us much. These come from the Woman's Missionary Union headquarters and tell us of the Mission work. To be a well informed Baptist people, we must read much.

5. The Study Course books give our people an opportunity to equip themselves for service. The Sunday School Study courses, Baptist Training Union Study courses, the Mission Study oCurses and the general study through other books and papers are informational and instructive.

Therefore, if we are to stabilizeandsustain the interest of our people in Christ's work and cause, we must provide and use Christian Literature. It iss aid: "A reading church is an informed church. An informed church is an interested church. An interested church is an acting church. An acting church is a serving church. And a serving church is a Christian church."

Respectfully Submitted,
J. O. Summerlin

Organization. Officers elected to serve for the coming year were:

Rev. J. H. Henline ..... Moderator
Rev. Roy D. Campbell ..... Vice-Moderator
Warren Pritchard ..... Clerk and Treasurer
Rev. Frank Parsons ..... Historian
Claude Parker ..... Biblical Recorder Representative

Adjourned for lunch.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Devotional—Rev. Astor Buchanan.

Report on Christian Education—Hon. E. F. Watson. Report adopted.

Report On Christian Education

The state cannot give its population a Christian education. The state's system is entirely supported by taxation—taxes collected from Catholics, Jews, and Gentiles, from Atheists and believers alike.

It would not be quite just for a Catholic teacher to teach your boy or girl or the Jew tell them that Jesus Christ was an imposter and the Messiah is yet to come.

Then, is it anymore just for a Gentile teacher to teach the Jewish lads and lassies that Jesus Christ is the Son of God—the long looked for Messiah.

Therefore, if the youth of our land is to have a Christian education it mmust be given him in our Christian schools and colleges Seeing this situation, long years ago, our Baptist folk founded Wake Forest College and when they finally awoke and found that the mothers of their children should be educated they founded Meredith College. Then, later, the junior colleges, our Mars Hill among them. To these institutions we must look for Christian education if it comes at all. The question as to whether we shall or shall not have Christian education does not arise. That question is not debatable. It is self evident—an established fact that if our denomination is to grow in the future, as in the past, or if we merely hold our own, our children must be educated religiously. We therefore recommend and sincerely urge our Baptist people to patronize Mars Hill College, Wake Forest College and Meredith College. Education without Christ or any Christian religion, has been fully tried by Germany and other nations. The result has been thoroughly demonstrated and at what terrible cost!

"When thou shalt hear a sound of marching in the tops of the mulberry trees, then thou shalt go out to battle for God is gone forth before thee to smite the Philistines." Something tells us that when the World sees the futility of wicked man's efforts there is going to be an awakening and we shall see the greatest revival of religion that has ever been experienced in all times. When our people have been educated and have learned the fact that we are our brother's keeper, the spear will be turned into the pruning hook and God will get to Himself great glory. This period is just in the offing.

Respectfully Submitted,

E. F. Watson

Report on Relief and Annuity for aged ministers—Rev. G. H. Glass. Report adopted. Rev. W. T. Baucom and Rev. J. O. Summerlin discussed the report at greater dength.

Report On Aid To Aged Ministers

It is an attribute of human nature, that we dodge, as much as possible, the unpleasant facts of life. We are prone to forget that we are born to die.. We go on from one thing to another, add hope to hope, and lay plans for many years, until we are suddenly alarmed at the presence of old age, and we find ourselves unprepared to meet the expenses of life's evening, when me must sit around the fireside and contemplate upon a life well spent.

This problem of feeble, old age can not be solved by dodging it, or neglecting it. Our Baptist conventions—State and Southern realizing this have joined in working out plans to provide support for aged ministers. It is called the Ministers and Church Employees Retirement Plan. Under this plan the pastor, or other full time employee of the church pays 4 per cent of his salary, the church pays another 4 per cent, and the State Mission board adds $18 to this amount. The pastor and church send their part to the secretary of our mission board monthly, or quarterly. This is sent by him to the Relief and Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention which handles this fund. This plan went into effect the first of 1940.

This plan is adequate to care for every aged minister who will get into it. At the end of 1941 those disabled or old enough to retire can get from a few dollars per month up to one fourth of their salary. The amounts will increase each year until about 1956 when it will be possible to receive 50 per cent of the average salary, provided no one receives more than $1200 per year.

A goodly number of churches and pastors have already taken advantage of this plan and pastors are insured against want in old age. Every church and pastor should take advantage of this Retirement Plan. It may take a long time to get all pastors and churches to line, up, but let us urge our people to prayerfully consider this important matter.

Respectfully Submitted,
G. H. Glass

Reports from the committees on Resolutions and Time, Place, and Preacher were given and approved.

Report Of Committee On Resolutions

1. Whereas, we who have attended the 39th annual session of the Mitchell Baptist Association have been so graciously and pleasantly entertained by the pastor and membership of Snow Hill Baptist Church.

Be it resolved, that we extend to them a rising vote of thanks as an expression of our sincere appreciation for their kind and generous hospitality.

II. Since there is some question as to those entitled to vote in our associational meetings,

1. Be it resolved that this matter be taken up on the morning of the first day of our next regular session and disposed of in what way that the delegates then present shall deem wise and best.
2. That their decision and action shall then be incorporated into and be made a permanent part of our constitution.

III. Since we believe that Baptists should guard with care the doctrine and faith we hold dear to our hearts, and since it is our conviction that the churches and pastors are responsible to the people for the teachings given to them through our churches, and since it is our conviction that some so-called preachers or evangelists have come to some of the churches of our association and have proclaimed doctrines and teachings which are not in harmony with our un-

derstanding of the teachings and doctrines proclaimed in the Word of God,

And since these teachings have tended to create confusion and to bring about divisions in some of our churches,

Be it resolved,

1. That the Association create, constitute, and appoint a committee whose duties shall be to inquire into,, investigate, and, in whatsoever way they may deem wise, learn all they can about such preachers and evangelists who come into our association unannounced, or uninvited and advise any and all churches concerned as to their finding, and advise these churches concerning those whose teachings are out of harmony with Baptist doctrine, or whose conduct is unworthy of our fellowship or encouragement, and that this committee take such other steps as it deems wise to expose all such imposters to all our churches and pastors.

2. That this committee be composed of two pastors, two laymen, and two ladies selected each year at the annual session of the association in whatever way the association thinks wise and best.

3. That this committee report its findings and also report on the condition of the churches at each annual session of the association.

Respectfully Submitted,

J. H. Henline
W. T. Baucom

Report Of Committee On Time, Place and Preacher

We recommend that the 40 annual session of the Mitchell Baptist Association be held with Grassy Creek Church on Thursday and Friday after the fourth Sunday in August, 1942.

We also recommend that Rev. Roy D. Campbell preach the Introductory Sermon.

Respectfully Submitted,

George W. Greene
Mack Pitman
Warren Pritchard, Committee

The annual session was brought to a close with a prayer by Rev. J. O. Summerlin to meet next with Grassy Creek Baptist Church.

Roy D. Campbell, Moderator
Warren Pritchard, Clerk.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MITCHELL COUNTY BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

The annual Mitchell Sunday School Convention was held with the Bakersville Baptist church on Friday, August 8th. Eighteen churches were represented at the gathering and much interest was shown in the Sunday School work throughout the Mitchell Association. The convention program was as follows:

Morning Session

Devotional—Rev. Summerlin.

Election of temporary officers and appointment of committees.

Recognition of messengers and reports on Sunday School work throughout the county.

The importance of Monthly Visitation Day in Sunday School Work—Mr. J. D. Dennis.

Annual sermon—Rev. Roy D. Campbell.

Afternoon Session

Devotional—Rev. Boyd Cannon.

General discussion of Sunday School work.

The report of the committee on Time and Place was that the next convention was to be held with the Beaver Creek Baptist church on Friday after the first Sunday in August, 1942.

Election of officers for the coming year.

Mr. Oliver Young ..... Superintendent

Mr. Charles Carpenter ..... Assistant Superintendent

Mr. Warren Pritchard ..... Secretary

Adjournment with prayer by Rev. J. H. Henline.

Respectfully submitted,
Warren Pritchard, Acting Superintendent
Mary Lela Sparks, Acting Secretary

PROCEEDINGS OF MITCHELL COUNTY ASSOCIATIONAL W. M. U. MEETING

The associational W. M. U. meeting was held with Central Church of Spruce Pine on June 17, 1941. All five of the churches having the organization were represented. The program for the day was as follows:

Morning Session

Scripture Reading—Rev. Roy Campbell.

Greetings and Response.

Roll call of churches.

Reports on the various phases of mission work.

Address: "Continuing in Witnessing"—Mrs. A. W. Fleishman, field worker for the W. M. U.

Afternoon Session

Devotional—Mrs. Lloyd Bryson.

Discussion of the work of the Young People's organizations—Mrs. W. T. Baucom.

Playlets—Given by the local Sun Beam bands and G. A. organizations.

Election of Officers:

Superintendent ..... Mrs. N. G. Pittman, Spruce Pine
Associate Superintendent ..... Mrs. W. C. Berry, Bakersville
Secretary and Treasurer ..... Mrs. John McBee, Bakersville
Personal Service Chairman ..... Mrs. B. M. Brown, Minpro
Stewardship Chairman ..... Mrs. Floyd Duncan, Spruce Pine
Mission Study Chairman ..... Mrs. R. P. Stroup, Spruce Pine
Training School Chairman ..... Miss Belle McBee, Spruce Pine
Margaret Fund Chairman .... Mrs. Bill McKinney, Spruce Pine

Report of Hospitality and Memorial Committees.

Benediction—Rev. W. T. Baucom.

Mrs. N. G. Pittman, Superintendent,
Mrs. John McBee, Secretary

TABLE ONE—CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

CHURCHES	Village, Town, City or Country.	When Constituted	PASTORS AND POST OFFICES	Days of Meeting?	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP									Tot. Present Members	Weekly Prayer Meet's.	Revivals Held	Obs. Lord's Supper	Rec. State Bap. Paper
					GAINS					LOSSES								
					Members last Yr.	Baptisms	Letters	Statements	Restorations	Letters	Exclusions	Erasures	Deaths					
1. Altapass	V	1925	G. H. Glass, Minpro	2 4	74	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	74	No	.....	1	.....
2. Bad Creek	C	1932	J. A. Boling, Bluff City, Tenn	2	62	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	64	No	2	.....	.....
3. Bakersville	T	.....	Roy D. Campbell, Bakersville	1 2 3 4	191	7	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	197	Yes	1	3	3
4. Bear Creek	C	1830	M. L. Ross, Concord	2 4	355	20	.....	.....	.....	8	.....	.....	.....	367	No	1	1	.....
5. Beaver Creek	C	.....	Charles Woody, Spruce Pine	2	114	6	4	2	2	6	13	1	1	107	Yes	1	1	.....
6. Berry Chapel	C	1934	D. N. Jones, Heaton	1 3	152	6	2	.....	3	.....	1	1	3	158	Yes	2	2	.....
7. Big Crabtree	C	1920	W. M. Turbyfill, Clarissa	2	81	2	.....	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	.....	79	No	1	1	.....
8. Big Rock Creek	C	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
9. Black Mountain	C	.....	G. H. Glass, Minpro	2 4	137	11	2	2	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	147	Yes	2	2	.....
10. Cane Creek	C	1876	J. Astor Buchanan, Clarrissa	2	204	1	.....	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	3	198	Yes	1	1	.....
11. Chestnut Grove	C	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
12. Cub Creek	C	.....	Roy D. Campbell, Bakersville	1 2 3 4	188	.....	1	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	187	Yes	1	.....	2
13. Fork Mountain	C	1856	Floyd Ledford, Bakersville	1	177	8	2	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	1	184	Yes	2	1	.....
14. Grassy Creek	C	1819	W. F. McMahan, Marion	1 3	347	21	5	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	3	368	Yes	2	1	.....
15. Liberty Hill	C	1866	J. H. Henline, Spruce Pine	1 3	283	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	4	276	Yes	.....	.....	.....
16. Lily Branch	C	1860	Roy D. Campbell, Bakersville		226	.....	2	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	1	226	Yes	3	1	.....
17. Little Rock Creek	C	.....	C. T. Buchanan, Toecane	1 3	292	7	1	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	2	296	No	1	1	.....
18. Mine Creek	C	1849	C. A. Buchanan, Toecane	1 3	195	18	1	7	.....	7	.....	.....	2	212	No	1	1	.....
19. Mt. Carmel	C	1923	J. C. Brown, Cranberry	1 3	167	8	3	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	179	Yes	2	1	.....
20. McKinney Cove	C	1888	J. H. Henline, Spruce Pine	4	127	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	127	Yes	1	1	.....
21. Pine Branch	C	1920	J. H. Henline, Spruce Pine	2 4	390	.....	2	.....	.....	7	.....	.....	2	383	Yes	1	1	.....
22. Rebels Creek	C	.....	G. H. Glass, Minpro	3	109	2	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	112	Yes	1	1	.....
23. Roan Mountain	C	.....	J. O. Summerlin, Marion	3	284	46	.....	.....	.....	10	.....	.....	3	317	No	1	1	.....
24. Spruce Pine First	C	1908	D. Boyd Cannon, Spruce Pine	1 2 3 4	342	5	6	.....	.....	6	.....	73	1	273	Yes	2	3	1
25. Spruce Pine Cen'	T	1932	W. T. Baucom, Spruce Pine	1 2 3 4	133	5	2	.....	.....	3	.....	1	1	135	Yes	1	4	14
26. Silver Chapel	C	1885	Roy D. Campbell, Bakersville	3	195	2	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	1	196	No	1	1	.....
27. Snow Hill	C	1915	G. H. Glass, Minpro	1 3	170	2	4	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	.....	172	No	1	1	.....
28. Spring Creek	C	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
29. Toecane	V	1916	J. H. Black, Windom	2	86	5	.....	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	2	85	No	1	1	.....
30. White Oak	C	1884	J. H. Henline, Spruce Pine	4	140	1	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	143	No	1	1	.....

TABLE TWO—SUNDAY SCHOOLS

CHURCHES	SUPERINTENDENTS AND POST OFFICES	Cradle Roll, Under 3	Beginners 3-5 Years	Primaries 6-8 Years	Juniors 9-12 Years	Intermediates 13-16	Young People 17-24	Adults 25 and Up	Extension Department	Departmental Officers	Total Enrollment	Average Attendance	Baptism from S.S.	Is School Graded?	Is it Standard A-1?	Teachers With Diplomas	Enrollment Vacation School	Average Attendance	Number Vacation School Dept. Officers
1. Altapass	Deward Hefner, Altapass		12		15		25	10		7	69	45		No	No				
2. Bad Creek	Monroe Yelton, Bakersville	8	12	13			14	23		4	74								
3. Bakersville	J. D. Dennis, Bakersville	20	13	9	19	17	7	47			132	88	7	Yes	No		55	45	5
4. Bear Creek	Jerry Duncan, Toecane										240	160		Yes	No				
5. Beaver Creek	C. B. Freeman, Spruce Pine		10	6	7	8	24	20		11	86	77		Yes	No				
6. Berry Chapel	William Greene, Spruce Pine										155	112		Yes	No	3	62	35	5
7. Big Crabtree	C. A. Ledford, Estatoe	7	7	6	7	7	12	13		9	68	59	2	Yes	No				
8. Big Rock Creek																			
9. Black Mountain	L. A. Conley, Little Switzerland			26	32	13	13	26			110	56		Yes	No				
10. Cane Creek	Dewey Buchanan, Hawk		15		15	10	50	40			130	100		No	No				
11. Chestnut Grove																			
12. Cub Creek	Claude Parker, Toecane	16	12	10	20	22	40	32		3	155	80		No	No				
13. Fork Mountain	T. C. Cook, Bakersville			20	20	20	20	20			100	60							
14. Grassy Creek	Bill McKinney, Spruce Pine	4	25	28	49	40	49	47		11	253	140	21	Yes	No		81	78	10
15. Liberty Hill	Dewitt Riddle, Penland	12	11	9	22	30	18	45		15	162	135		Yes	No				
16. Lily Branch	F. O. Phllips, Wing		13		15	6	38	20		12	104	89		No	No				
17. Little Rock Creek	W. H. Hobson, Bakersville	12	20	30	30	30	24	45			191	67		No	No				
18. Mine Creek	John Parsons, Toecane	10	19	12	25	33	50	40		2	191	73							
19. Mt. Carmel	Waits Pitman, Spruce Pine	10		30	30		30	35		8	143	93		No	No				
20. McKinney Cove	James McKinney, Bakersville	6	6		10	8	15	25		6	76			No	No				
21. Pine Branch	Claude Duncan, Minpro											169		No	No				
22. Rebels Creek	Clarence Willis, Boonford			20	10	9	22	13		8	82	65	2	No	No				
23. Roan Mountain	Frank B. Young, Bakersville		22	23	21	20	26	75		11	191	115		No	No		50	34	
24. Spruce Pine First	Ed W. Young, Spruce Pine		23	31	34	30	33	55		3	209	118		No	No	10	60	50	
25. Spruce Pine Cer	George W. Greene, Spruce Pine	12	9	7	14	25	15	32	7	13	134	61		Yes	No		138	100	13
26. Silver Chapel	Bryan Robinson, Bandana		15	10	12	15	24	50		10	148	80		Yes	No				
27. Snow Hill	S. J. Blalock, Toecane	20	10	12	8	18	22	35		6	131	92		No	No				
28. Spring Creek																			
29. Toecane	T. T. Johnson, Green Mountain		12	7	12	16	12	50		12	121	43		Yes	Yes		37	30	
30. White Oak	W. J. Henline, Toecane			15	20		15	40			90	61		No	No				

TABLE THREE— BAPTIST TRAINING UNION

CHURCHES	Director of Training Union	Adult Unions	Young People's Union	Intermediate Unions	Junior Unions	Story Hours	Total Unions and Story Hours	Adults Enrolled	Young People Enrolled	Intermediates Enrolled	Juniors Enrolled	Story Hours Enrolled	Total Enrolled	Daily Bible Readers	Stoudy Course	Systematic Givers in All Unions	Has Training U. Been A-1 for One Quarter		Students In College	
1. Bakersville	G. D. Wilson, Bakersville		1	1	1	1	4		11	7	5		28	16	23	23	No		10	
2. Cane Creek	Astor Buchanan, Clarissa		1		1		2		25		25		50				No			
3. Grassy Creek	G. B. Sproles, Spruce Pine		1	2	1		4		12	25	13		50				No			
4. Lily Branch	Moriss Elliott, Toecane		1	1	1		3		25	14	6		45	34	39	32	No		1	
5. Mt. Carmel	Cole Pitman, Spruce Pine	1	1	1			3										No			
6. Pine Branch	Claude Duncan, Minpro	1	1	1			3	12	39	49			100	12			No			
7. Roan Mountain	Oliver Young, Bakersville		1	2	1		3		13	33	20		66				No			
8. Spruce Pine First	Mrs. Lloyd Bryson, Spruce Pine	1	1	1	1	1	5	12	12	10	16	13	63	31	39	34	No		1	
9. Spruce Pine Cen.	Mrs. R. P. Stroupe, Spruce Pine	1	1	1	1	1	5	11	9	14	6	6	46	19	21	38				
10. White Oak	Scott Wilson, Toecane	1	1		1	.6	3	12	15		16		43	12		15	No		1	

TABLE FOUR—W.M.U. ORGANIZATIONS AND GIFTS

CHURCHES	PRESIDENTS OF W. M. S. AND POST OFFICES	No. W. M. Societies	Number Y.W.A.'s	No. G.A.'s	Number R.A.'s	Number Sunbeams	Total W.M.U. Org's.	W.M.S. Members	Y.W.A. Members	G. A. Members	R.A. Members	Sunbeam Members	Total Members	Total Enrolled In Mission Study Course	Contributions to Local Work by W.M.U.	Contributions to Missions by W.M.U.	Grand Total Given by W. M. U.
1. Bakersville	Mrs. W. C. Berry, Bakersville	1	.....	2	.....	.....	3	12	.....	19	.....	.....	31	6	.....	78.74	78.74
2. Grassy Creek	Mrs. James Hall, Spruce Pine	1	.....	1	.....	.....	2	10	.....	16	.....	.....	26	7	5.31	54.00	59.31
3. Pine Branch	Mrs. B. M. Brown,, Minpro	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	14	.....	.....	.....	.....	14	.....	.....	.....	.....
4. Spruce Pine First.	Mrs. Fred Dale, Spruce Pine	1	1	1	.....	1	4	11	12	8	.....	21	52	6	80.00	90.59	170.59
5. Central	Mrs. Ed Willis, Spruce Pine	1	1	1	1	.....	4	12	14	8	9	.....	43	9	.....	.....	.....

TABLE FIVE—CHURCH PROPERTY

CHURCHES	CHURCH CLERKS AND POST OFFICES	Own House Worship?	When Was It Built?	Materials Used	Persons Seated	Number of Rooms	Dept. Assembly Rooms	No. Sep. Class Rooms	Value Church House and Grounds	Tot. Value All Church Property	Indebtedness on All Church Property	Insurance Carried
1. Altapass	Deward Hefner, Altapass	*		Wood	200	1			1200	1200		
2. Bad Creek	Mrs. Nora Garland, Bakersville	*	1939	Wood					85	85		
3. Bakersville	Mrs. J. C. McBee, Bakersville	*	1927	Brick	500	12		11	10000	10000		7000
4. Bear Creek	Homer Buchanan, Toecane	*	1926	Wood	400	3	2		9500	9500		
5. Beaver Creek	Mrs. Rose Hise, Spruce Pine	*	1916	Wood	350	1			2000	2000		
6. Berry Chapel	Lizzie Woody, Spruce Pine	*	1934	Wood	300	1			2000	2000		2000
7. Big Crabtree	Lottie Willis, Wing	*	1927	Wood	400	1		6	1500	1500		
8. Big Rock Creek												
9. Black Mountain	Reid Queen, Little Switzerland	*	1886	Wood	250	1			1500	1500		
10. Cane Creek	Bruce Buchanan, Clarissa	*	1906	Wood	500	1			1000	1000		
11. Chestnut Grove												
12. Cub Creek	C. L. Hoilman, Toecane	*	1939	Brick	400	12	1	11	8500	8500	568	
13. Fork Mountain	D. M. Cook, Bakersville	*	1903	Wood	200	1			1000	1000		
14. Grassy Creek	Edith Collis, Spruce Pine	*	1925	Brick	500	4	8	10	12000	12000		
15. Liberty Hill	J. C. Hoyle, Estatoe	*	1926	Brick	500	1			10000	10000		
16. Lily Branch	Frona Murdock, Toecane	*	1939	Stone	500				5000	5000		
17. Little Rock Creek	Mrs. Pearle Blevins, Bakersville	*		Wood	300	1			2000	2000		
18. Mine Creek	Mrs. Belle Greene, Toecane	*	1928	Wood	300	1		10	3000	3000		
19. Mt. Carmel	Elmer Pitman, Spruce Pine	*	1923	Wood	300	1			1000	1000		
20. McKinney Cove	Mrs. Fred McKinney, Bakersville	*	1910	Wood	250	1			2000	2000		
21. Pine Branch	Tom Rhyne, Minpro	*	1920	Wood	350	1			3000	3000		2000
22. Rebels Creek	Mrs. Fred Jarrett, Boonford	*	1940	Wood	200	1			2000	2000		
23. Roan Mountain	Clarence Johnson, Bakersville	*		Wood	500	1		6	2000	2000		
24. Spruce Pine First	Ed W. Young, Spruce Pine	*	1939	Stone	450	2	2	3	21500	21500	2530	2000
25. Spruce Pine Central	R. B. Sparks, Spruce Pine	*	1933	Stone	300	10	2	8	8851	8851	1300	2000
26. Silver Chapel	Mrs. Beulah Hensley, Bandana	*		Wood	300	1			3500	3500		
27. Snow Hill	S. J. Blalock, Toecane	*	1915	Wood	500	1			2500	2500	48	
28. Spring Creek												
29. Toecane	J. Fred Rudd, Toecane	*	1916	Wood	400	1			1400	1400		
30. White Oak	A. P. Wilson, Toecane	*	1939	Wood	250	1			3000	3000		2000

*Denotes "Yes"

TABLE SIX—GIFTS FOR LOCAL CHURCH WORK

CHURCHES	REGULAR TREASURERS AND POST OFFICES	Pastor's Salary	Other Salaries	Ministerial Help and Supply	Building and Repairs	Church Debt and Interest	Incidentals	Literature for S.S. and B.Y.P.U. and W.M.S.	Help Given to Local Poor	For Printing Minutes and Clerk of Asso.	Other Objects	(Local Work) Total Given by Church and All Its Organizations
1. Altapass	John Hall, Altapass	120.00						15.00		2.00		137.00
2. Bad Creek	Monroe Yelton, Bakersville, Rt. 1	50.34	20.40	22.15			2.00	12.54			7.50	114.93
3. Bakersville	E. H. Poteat, Bakersville	1070.00		58.85	120.39		194.60	72.80	12.00	5.00	181.65	1715.29
4. Bear Creek	Jesse Buchanan, Bakersville Rt. 1	411.18		73.99			64.00	85.00	117.97	5.00	35.07	792.21
5. Beaver Creek	C. B. Freeman, Spruce Pine	130.00			61.04		57.50	23.00	110.93			385.47
6. Berry Chapel	Brown Buchanan, Spruce Pine	360.00	81.37	28.00	35.29	6.00	73.93	39.50	70.07	2.00	19.17	715.31
7. Big Crabtree	Joe Gurley, Boonford	54.00		22.36	3.00		.50	22.17	15.00	1.15		118.18
8. Big Rock Creek												
9. Black Mountain	L. A. Conley, Little Switzerland	340.23		163.14			77.41	25.61	184.74	3.95		795.08
10. Cane Creek	Rachel Dellinger, Hawk	181.47		47.00	113.39		68.53	54.08	40.35	2.00	6.95	513.77
11. Chestnut Grove												
12. Cub Creek	C. L. Hoilman, Toecane	228.00		89.00	163500	165.00	46.25	32.00		2.50	11.00	2208.75
13. Fork Mountain	D. M. Cook, Bakersville	56.00	47.00		20.00		36.00	15.00	10.00	2.00		186.00
14. Grassy Creek	T. W. Dale, Spruce Pine, Rt. 1	300.00		147.00	202.12		68.90	83.13	5.00	3.00	16.37	825.52
15. Liberty Hill	D. W. Hoppas, Estatoe	240.00				3.00	97.69	68.17	45.10	3.00		456.96
16. Lily Branch	Paul Huskins, Wing	100.00		100.00	386.97		54.00	48.00		2.00		690.97
17. Little Rock Creek	J. J. Blevins, Bakersville	317.05		33.75			39.50	39.92	20.75	1.00		451.97
18. Mine Creek	Mrs. Landon Davis, Toecane	271.49		39.71			66.98		22.50	2.00	88.34	491.02
19. Mt. Carmel	W. L. Freeman, Spruce Pine	403.35		33.00			51.80	29.78		4.00		521.93
20. McKinney Cove	Fred McKinney, Bakersville	158.85		35.16	87.40		71.80	29.13	25.00	2.00	21.56	430.90
21. Pine Branch	Harold Ellis, Minpro	480.00		60.00		300.00	130.11	129.67	68.96	5.00		1173.74
22. Rebels Creek	Fred Jarrett, Boonford	106.07	17.55		81.31	330.00	33.75	55.87		2.00		626.55
23. Roan Mountain	H. O. Whitson, Bakersville	300.00		23.37			64.87	79.03	16.43	2.50	76.44	562.63
24. Spruce Pine First	Arl Burleson, Spruce Pine	156000		125.00	104715	266.00	118.71	116.44	13.90	5.00	280.00	3532.20
25. Spruce Pine Cen'	R. S. McCall, Spruce Pine	1885.00		78.30	976.66	206.40	241.59	111.71	19.27		38.76	3558.69
26. Silver Chapel	Retta Jarrett, Bandana	153.85		29.70	35.41		53.35	30.79		2.00	18.53	323.63
27. Snow Hill	Mrs. Cora Wilson, Toecane, Rt. 1	200.00		24.75		204.16	26.55	29.84		2.00		487.30
28. Spring Creek												
29. Toecane	R. S. Johnson, Toecane	192.23		42.00			25.00	27.71			15.26	302.20
30. White Oak	A. B. Wilson, Toecane, Rt. 1	160.22					70.26	12.00	6.01	2.00		250.49

TABLE SEVEN—GIFTS FOR MISSIONS, EDUCATION AND ALL BENEVOLENCES

CHURCHES	Total to Co-operative Program	Special to Associational Missions	Special to State Missions	Special to Home Missions	Special to Foreign Missions	Special to Schools and Colleges	Special to Orphanage	Special to Hospitals	Special to Old Ministers' Relief	Hundred Thousand Club	Red Cross and Foreign Relief	Total Gifts to Missions and Benevolences by Church and All Depts	Total Given for All Purposes by Church and its Organizations
1. Altapass								1.60				1.60	138.60
2. Bad Creek													114.93
3. Bakersville			43.82	37.92	22.00	65 00	155.02	28.13		10.00		361.87	2077.16
4. Bear Creek	123.09					15.00	135.45	28.83	14.52		79.77	396.66	1188.87
5. Beaver Creek							10.00	8.00				18.00	403.47
6. Berry Chapel	10.00			12.00			75.24					97.24	812.55
7. Big Crabtree								5.00				5.00	123.18
8. Big Rock Creek													
9. Black Mountain							23.94	15.05				38.99	834.07
10. Cane Creek					5.00			8.00				13.00	526.77
11. Chestnut Grove													
12. Cub Creek							192.00					192.00	2400.75
13. Fork Mountain							10.00	5.00				15.00	201.00
14. Grassy Creek	5.00		20.00	20.00	22.00	10.		15.00				92.00	917.52
15. Liberty Hill							75.31	15.36				90.67	547.63
16. Lily Branch													690.97
17. Little Rock Creek								12.70			22.60	35.30	487.27
18. Mine Creek	5.95							5.00				10 95	501.97
19. Mt. Carmel	12.25			51.98			6.95					71.18	593 11
20. McKinney Cove	12.05						32.45	6.65				51.15	482.05
21. Pine Branch		57.84					237.14					294.98	1468.72
22. Rebels Creek													626.55
23. Roan Mountain	30.00						82.69	7.50				120.19	682.82
24. Spruce Pine First	124.22		3.10	5.00	10.15		87.03	4.00			10.00	243.50	3775.70
25. Spruce Pine Cen'	276.27			12.86		17.00	55.65	10.70		7.00	62.40	441.88	4000.57
26. Silver Chapel							20.50	8.36				28.86	352.49
27. Snow Hill							11.09					11.09	498.39
28. Spring Creek													
29. Toecane	19.25		6.30				36.01	6.00				67.56	369.76
30. White Oak							12.95	3.88				16.83	267.32

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PROGRAM

MITCHELL COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

At Grassy Creek Baptist Church—August 27, 1942

MORNING SESSION

10:00 Worship ..... Rev. Boyd Cannon
10:15 Roll Call of Churches
10:30 Temperance ..... M. A. Adams
10:50 Christian Literature ..... C. A. Buchanan
11:05 Appointment of Committees and Announcements
11:15 Sermon ..... Rev. Roy Campbell
12:00 Adjournment for Dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION

1:05 Worship ..... Rev. J. C. Brown
1:15 Orphanage Report ..... Rev. G. H. Glass
1:35 Report on Christian Education ..... Rev. Boyd Cannon
1:50 Hospital Report ..... Rev. W. T. Baucom
2:05 State Missions ..... Rev. W. M. Turbyfill
Home Missions ..... Rev. Roy Campbell
Foreign Missions ..... Rev. M. L. Ross
2:15 Address: The Cooperative Program ..... Rev. J. C. Pipes
3:00 Report on Aged Ministers ..... Rev. J. C. Brown
3:15 Report from the Churches and Eelection of Officers for the coming year.
3:45 Adjourn.

EVENING SESSION

7:45 Special Music
8:00 Report on Sunday Schools ..... Oliver Young
8:30 W. M. U. Report ..... Mrs. N. G. Pitman
9:00 Baptist Training Union Report ..... Deitor Wilson
9:45 Adjourn.
9:30 Reports of Various Committees

ASSOCIATIONAL DIRECTORY

OFFICERS

Rev. J. H. Henline, Moderator ..... Clarissa
Rev. Roy D. Campbell, Vice-Moderator ..... Bakersville
Warren Pritchard, Clerk and Treasurer ..... Spruce Pine

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

J. H. Henline ..... Clarissa
Roy D. Campbell ..... Bakersville
Warren Pritchard ..... Spruce Pine
W. C. Berry ..... Bakersville
G. W. Greene ..... Spruce Pine
C. L. Hoilman ..... Toecane
Reid Queen ..... Little Switzerland
W. A. McKinney ..... Bakersville

REPORTS FOR NEXT SESSION

Orphanage ..... W. M. Turbyfill
Christian Education ..... W. T. Baucom
Hospitals ..... Willard Buchanan
Christian Literature ..... Frank Parsons
Foreign Missions ..... Boyd Cannon
Home Missions ..... Charles Carpenter
State Missions ..... C. A. Buchanan
Aged Ministers ..... Bill McKinney
Sunday Schools ..... Astor Buchanan
W. M. U. ..... Mrs. N. G. Pitman
B. T. U. ..... Roy Campbell

COMMITTEE FOR COLLECTION OF ORPHANAGE PRODUCE—Lane Buchanan, W. J. Henline, Mrs. Clyde Pritchard, Mrs. Leiter Slagle and C. C. Woody.

COMMITTEE ON COUNTY MISSIONARY—E. F. Watson, Boyd Cannon and W. C. Berry.

COMMITTEE ON SAFEGUARDING AND REPORTING ON CONDITION OF CHURCHES—W. T. Baucom, W. M. Turbyfill, George W. Greene, John W. McKinney, Mrs. W. C. Berry and Mrs. George Baker.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

Rev. Astor Buchanan, Superintendent ..... Hawk
Rev. Charles Carpenter, Ass't. Superintendent, Spruce Pine
Warren Pritchard, Clerk ..... Spruce Pine

Next annual session will be held with Pine Branch Church on Friday after the first Sunday in August, 1943.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Mrs. N. G. Pitman, Superintendent ..... Spruce Pine
Mrs. W. C. Berry, Associate Superintendent.....Bakersville
Mrs. J. C. McBee, Secretary and Treasurer.....Bakersville
Next associational W. M. U. meeting will be held with the First Church of Spruce Pine.

PASTORS IN THE ASSOCIATION

W. T. BAUCOM
Spruce Pine
J. H. BLACK
Windom
J. C. BROWN
Cranberry
C. A. BUCHANAN
Toecane
J. ASTOR BUCHANAN
Clarrissa
ROY D. CAMPBELL
Bakersville
D. BOYD CANNON
Spruce Pine
G. H. GLASS
Minpro
J. H. HENLINE
Clarissa
D. N. JONES
Elizabethton, Tenn.
FLOYD LEDFORD
Bakersville
W. F. McMAHAN
Marion
M. L. ROSS
Concord
J. L. STREET
Nebo
W. M. TURBYFILL
Clarrissa
W. S. WOODY
Spruce Pine

ORDAINED MINISTERS — NOT PASTORS

RAYMOND BURLESON
Estatoe
A. L. BUTLER
Ewart
C. A. CARPENTER
Spruce Pine
T. C. COOK
Bakersville
ROY GRINDSTAFF
Spruce Pine
THEO LETTERMAN
Spruce Pine
ED LOWERY,
CLIFFORD McGEE
Altapass
Estatoe
FRANK PARSONS
Toecane
J. Y. SPARKS
Toecane
CHARLIE WOODY
Spruce Pine

CONSTITUTION

MITCHELL COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

AMENDED AT 1938 SESSION

Name

Article 1. The name of the body shall be "The Mitchell County Baptist Association."

Object

Article 2. It shall be the object of this Association to furnish the Gospel to all the people of this Association, and to co-operate with the Baptist State Convention in giving the Gospel to all the world.

Membership

Article 3. Membership of this Association shall consist of three classes: 1st. The officers of the Association; 2nd. Pastors of Baptist Churches affiliated with the Association; 3rd. Messengers elected by the churches affiliated with the Association. Every church shall be entitled to three messengers, and one additional messenger for every twenty-five members beyond the first one hundred members.

Officers

Article 4. The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, a Vice-Moderator, a Clerk, a Treasurer, and a Historian. All these shall be elected by the Association in its annual meeting and shall hold office for one year, or until their successors are elected.

Boards and Committees

Article 5. The Association shall elect each year the following committee: The Executive Committee, consisting of five members from the Association at large. The Moderator, Vice-Moderator and Clerk of the Association shall also be members of this Committee. The committee shall have charge of the work of the Association between meetings of the Association. It shall make a written report to the Association at each meeting of the Association. 2nd. A promotion Committee: This Committee shall consist of the Moderator, Vice-Moderator and Clerk of the Association; also the Superintendent of the County Sunday School Convention,

the general director of the B. T. U. of the Association, the president of the W.M.U. and one additional member from each church affiliated with the Association, and all pastors of the Association. Nine members of this committee shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. This committee shall bear the responsibility of bringing the churches of the Association to co-operation with the program of the Baptist State Convention.

Meetings

Article 6. The Association shall meet annually on Thursday after the Fourth Sunday in August. The fiscal year of the churches affiliated with the Association shall end July 31. Each church shall then prepare its letter to the Association, forward the same to the Clerk at least two weeks before the date of the meeting of the Association. At the request of the Executive Committee. The Moderator may change the time of the meeting of the Association if good and sufficient reason therefor shall occur.

Vacancies

Article 7. The Executive Committee may fill any vacancies occurring in this organization between meetings of the Association. Those so elected will hold office till the next meeting of the Association.

Amendments

1. This constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any session of the Association. Provided that notice of such amendment be given on the first day and the vote taken at the morning session of the second day.

By-Laws

1. Any church desiring admission into the fellowship of this body shall make application to the Executive Committee not less than two weeks before the meeting of the Association, and shall submit evidence of orthodoxy in faith and practice, and be ready to give any further information required by the Committee.

The Executive Committee shall submit its recommendations at the first session of the Association to make further investigation as to the desirablility of admitting church making application. On the admission of this applicant. When this vote is favorable, the messengers shall receive the hand of fellowship by the Moderator.

2. Any church being shown to have departed from the doctrines or practices recognized by this Association may be suspended or excluded from the Association at any regular meeting by a majority vote of the messengers present.

LIST OF MESSENGERS

ALTAPASS—John Hall, Mildred Hall, Iris Garland and Georgia Hefner.

BAD CREEK—Monroe Yelton, Ethel Garland and Blanche Stanley.

BAKERSVILLE—M. L. Wilson, Mrs. W. C. Berry, Mrs. G. M. Baker, Mrs. J. C. McBee, Charles Blevins, Mary Helen Berry and Bernita Hughes.

BEAR CREEK—M. C. Pitman, W. C. Buchanan, Fred Hollifield, J. Y. Sparks, Mrs. Zula English, Mrs. Leona Buchanan, Mrs. Bessie Duncan, Mrs. Effie Ellis, Mrs. Bertie Jarrett, Joyce Buchanan and Grace Duncan.

BEAVER CREEK—C. B. Freeman, Glenn Hise, Mrs. Grace Swann, Mrs. Charlie Woody.

BERRY CHAPEL—William Green, Steve Biddix and Lane Buchanan.

CHESTNUT GROVE—Arnold McFalls, Fred Self and Peter Burnette.

CUB CREEK—C. L. Hoilman and W. L. Canipe.

BIG CRABTREE—C. A. Ledford, Joe Gurley and Mrs. Lizzie Sparks.

CANE CREEK—Bruce Buchanan, Ralph Greene, Joe Ward and Wyatte Woody.

BLACK MOUNTAIN—L. A. Connley, Reid Queen, S. D. McKinney, L. B. Ballew and G. M. McKinney.

FORK MOUNTAIN—D. M. Cook, Frank McKinney, Robert McKinney and Floyd Ledford.

GRASSY CREEK—Bill McKinney, T. W. Dale, John W. McKinney, Mrs. T. K. Quinn, Mrs. Chas. Dale and Mrs. J. G. Hall.

LIBERTY HILL—Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Woody, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Riddle, J. C. Hoyle and Hersel Huskins.

LILY BRANCH—Mrs. Alice Thomas, Mrs. Barney Huskins, Morris Elliott, Walter Greene and Mrs. Lloyd Huskins.

LITTLE ROCK CREEK—G. O. Burleson, C. H. Ward, J. J. Blevins, Aught Burleson and W. O. Gouge.

MINE CREEK—Arnold Gage, Horace Greene, Mrs. Myrtle Davis, Mrs. Ethel Greene, Mrs. Delia Greene and Mrs. Belle Greene.

MT. CARMEL—Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Henline, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Burleson.

McKINNEY COVE—W. A. McKinney, James McKinney, Fred McKinney and Flossie McKinney.

PINE BRANCH—Mr. and Mrs. Will Buchanan, Lonzie Pitman, Bessie Buchanan and Mrs. Cordie Henline.

REBEL'S CREEK—Jim Boone, Mrs. John Jarrett, Loft Burnette, Mrs. F. G. Jarrett, Clarence Willis and Mrs. Fred Jarrett.

ROAN MOUNTAIN—H. O. Whitson, Rafe Johnson, Herbert Hughes, Clarence Johnson, C. M. Young, Mrs. Leiter Slagle, Mrs. Tarp Turbyfill, Mrs. Lou Conley.

SPRUCE PINE FIRST—Mrs. D. Boyd Cannon, E. F. Watson, D. P. Turbyfill, N. G. Pitman, Mrs. N. G. Pitman, Mrs. Floyd Duncan and Mrs. R. B. Phillips.

SPRUCE PINE CENTRAL—Lawrence Buchanan, R. P. Stroupe, G. W. Greene, E. A. Buchanan, Mrs. L. W. Woody and Mrs. Ed Willis.

SILVER CHAPEL—Virgil Chandler, Beulah Hensley, Jeff Sparks, Ed Robinson, Retta Jarrett and Clyde Robinson.

SNOW HILL—S. J. Blalock, Mrs. S. J. Blalock, Willie Buchanan, Will Grindstaff and Simon Grindstaff.

TOECANE—Mr. and Mrs. J. Fred Rudd, Harvey Johnson, Ersel Johnson and Harris Johnson.

WHITE OAK—W. J. Henline, L. H. Cate, Arthur Wilson, R. V. Wilson and Jeff Buchanan.

PROCEEDINGS

of the fortieth annual session of the

MITCHELL COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Thursday Morning

The Mitchell County Baptist Association was called to order by Moderator J. H. Henline. Brother Henline told the gathering that it had been decided to have only a one day session this year because of the difficulties of transportation.

Opening song — "There Is A Fountain Filled With Blood."

Devotional—Rev. Boyd Cannon. The theme for this inspiring devotional message was "Faith Without Works Is Dead." Broth Cannon called for a faith which will go into action.

Recognition of visitors—Among those present were John Arch McMillan of the Baptist Orphanage, Rev. J. B. Willis of Hamlet and M. H. Kendall of Mars Hill.

Roll call of churches—Twenty-six churches were represented.

As is his usual custom, John Arch McMillan brought a very fine report on the work of the Baptist Orphanage.

The report on Christian Education was read by Rev. Boyd Cannon. Report adopted.

Report On Christian Education

Baptists are what they are largely because they have believed in and supported, although quite feebly at times, missions, benevolences and Christian Education. Wake Forest College for example, is only four years younger than the Convention itself, the Convention being organized in 1830, while Wake Forest was founded in 1834.

In the course of time as Baptists have grown institutions came into existence, namely Chowan, Mars Hill, Meredith, Campbell, Wingate and Boiling Springs. Baptists have believed in the necessity for trained and consecrated leadership. They had no other way to secure such leadership except as they have built and supported Christian colleges. They know of no other way now. The need for such leadership is all the greater today, what with the world grown well-nigh pagan in large areas.

It must be recorded that all our schools are making progress, although they are working with poor equipment and utterly inadequate support. The most recent report reveals the fact that the total enrollment of college students in the institutions named above

for the past year was 2,949, plus 175 high school students and an additional summer school enrollment of 783. It is interesting to observe that among this number there were 234 listed as ministerial students and 154 as student volunteers. Another gratifying fact is this: The total net property value, including endowment funds, plants, etc. is $8,097,409.93.

There was a time when the Convention owed for these schools about $1,200,000.00. The debt now stands at about $400,000.00. Thus it appears that the property owned is about 20 times as great as the amount of money owed.

We practice good stewardship by paying debts. The Cooperative Program is such a regular and systematic part of our work that it is not necessary to add discussion.

Let this final word be recorded. No real Baptist church can possibly say that the welfare of these colleges is of no concern to it. In a world such as ours today trained leadership is not only desirable but absolutely imperative.

D. BOYD CANNON

The cause of Christian Education was presented in an unusually fine manner by Rev. J. B. Willis who spoke in behalf of Wake Forest College and by and by Rev. M. H. Kendall who spoke for Mars Hill College.

Appointment of committees by the Moderator.

Committee on Time, Place and Preacher—Boyd Cannon, W. A. McKinney and Willard Buchanan.

Committee on Resolutions—W. T. Baucom, Geo. W. Greene and E. F. Watson.

With regard as to who should be entitled to vote in associational elections, it was decided that only the delegates present should be allowed to vote and in no cases should the delegates present be allowed to vote the entire strength of a church unless all delegates were present.

A welcome to all visiting delegates was given by Rev. W. H. McMahan, the pastor of Grassy Creek church.

The annual sermon was delivered by Rev. Roy D. Campbell. The sermon was brief and unusually appropriate for the times. The text for this message was from Acts 27: "Fear not, I am with thee." Brother Campbell emphasized the need for a realization of the presence of God during these trying times. "Our ship may go down," said Brother Campbell, "but Christ will never fail."

Adjournment for dinner.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

Opening song—"Holy, Holy, Holy."

Rev. Fonzer Buchanan then rendered a special selection, "Beautiful Home," on his hand organ.

Devotional message—Rev. J. C. Brown.

M. A. Huggins and J. C. Pipes who had come in during the noon hour were recognized.

Rev. W. T. Baucom, acting for the Temperance committee offered the following resolution to the gathering which was passed unanimously:

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

The delegates of the Mitchell County Baptist Association, representing thirty-one Baptist churches, and almost six thousand members, assembled in regular session on the above mentioned date went on record as approving and endorsing the following resolutions:

1. Because food, as President Roosevelt stated on January 7, 1942, "is essential war material," and because vast quantities of food stuffs, wheat, rye, barley, rice, corn, molases, and sugar are being used to make booze to make our soldiers and workers drunk, to befuddle their brains and reduce their efficiency at the front and in the factory:

2. Because rubber, gasoline, trucks and cars are essential war material also, so essential that they are being rationed to our people, that they may be conserved for war use, and yet the American Liquor Traffic is using up vast quantities of rubber, gasoline, trucks, and cars in their business, which is not only non essential, but positively harmful to our armed forces and our war workers;

3. Because the liquor traffic is employing half a million people in its business of wasting vital food products and man power at a time when tens of thousands of women are being taken from their homes to work for defense, while their husbands and sons are going to war;

4. Because alcohol not only slows up work and reduces fighting ability of soldiers, but also poisons the system of those who drink just as surely as strychnine, arsenic, or opium, although it may do it more slowly, reducing life's expectancy from four to six years, according to Dr. Arthur Hunter, actuary of the New York Life Insurance Company;

5. Because drinking among both civilians and soldiers has greatly increased since liquor was legalized by the government, as sales records clearly show;

BE IT RESOLVED:

I. That we petition our government in Washington to take steps immediately to stop the manufacture and sale of alcoholic beverages of whatever name for the duration.

II. That we urge our government to turn every plant now used in the manufacture of alcohol for beverage purposes over to such defense work as it can engage in.

III. That the half million employees in the liquor business be employed in defense work so far as possible.

IV. That all alcoholic beverages such as liquors, wines, and beers be taken over by the government, redistilled and the alcohols reclaimed for defense.

V. That we urge all county, state and national officials, officers, soldiers, and civilians to turn to God in prayer during this life and death struggle.

VI. That copies of these resolutions be sent to state and national officials including our governor and the President of the United States, to our local and religious papers and to such sister religious groups as seems advisable.

Rev. W. T. Baucom
E. F. Watson, Resolution Com.
George W. Greene

Col. E. F. Watson then took the floor in behalf of the cause of temperance and held the audience spellbound for some thirty minutes. At the conclusion of this convincing talk an offering was taken to defray the cost of printing and distributing the resolution. $18.35 was received for this purpose.

The report on State Missions was read by Rev. W. M. Turbyfill.

Report on State Missions

Our state mission work in many respects is very important. We do not undervalue the great work of missions in general when we lay stress on this phase of our work.

We must have a strong base from which to draw from as we go to the work of evangelizing the world. Our state work is carried on by our general secretary M. A. Huggins. Through his efforts North Carolina Baptists are doing a great work. This effort is being carried on by 86 state missionaries who receive part or total support from the general board. We have a well organized W. M. U. department together with the Sunday School department and a B. T. U. department—all complete and doing great work in their respective fields. Our student department is helping worthy boys and girls in their education and Christian duty at our various schools. We are fostering a mission work among our Indians in Swain and Robeson counties which work promises to be worthwhile.

Out of every dollar given through the cooperative program, twenty cents goes into this work in addition to all funds designated for this purpose.

Let us not forget the work at this time around our camps. Mr. Huggins thinks we have there the greatest state mission opodtunity we have had in North Carolina for years. May we pray and give to this great work.

Respectfully submitted,
W. M. TURBYFILL

Following the adoption of this report, the Cooperative Program was discussed by M. A. Huggins and J. C. Pipes. Of interest in Mr. Huggins' talk was the fact that this year North Carolina Baptists will give $1,000,000 to the coopera-

tive program. At the suggestion of Mr. Huggins the delegates voted unanimously to employ a county missionary for this association.

Report on Hospitals was given by Rev. W. T. Baucom. Report adopted.

Report on Baptist Hospital

Since 1923 the Baptist hospital has been serving the people of all sections of North Carolina. Up to three years ago the hospital had a bed capacity of only 100. By over crowding some of these years 4,000 patients were cared for.

During the last three years the hospital has been enlarged to a 300 bed capacity, making it possible to care for almost 10,000 patients annually, and it is now caring for about 650 patients each month.

There will be, not less than 2,500 service or free patients this year. If these average a stay of one week each, at $4.00 per day the cost would be $54,000 to the hospital, to say nothing of the free service rendered by the doctors who treat them. The Duke Foundation gives one dollar of this four. The hospital must look to the Mother's Day Offerings for the other three, or more than $40,000.

Twenty six interns and about 100 doctors practice in the hospital. It also has the free service of the entire medical school staff when desired for consultation and diagnosis. Every department is thoroughly organized to give the most efficient service possible.

Both building and equipment are entirely modern. The hospital recently added $20,000 worth of new instruments to the operating rooms and $44,000 worth of new X-ray equipment, making an X-ray department "None better in the South."

Hospital and medical school combined has a floor space of four acres and represents a value to the denomination of $2,000,000.00, with only a very small amount of indebtedness.

The purpose of the Baptist Hospital has been and shall ever be not only to care patients able to pay, but to care for all who come seeking help. The poor who can't pay a penny will ever get the same treatment that the richest receives. It educates nurses with Christian Ideals; its scientific efficiency is "second to none in the country," and the management determines that it shall ever be definitely a Christian Institution with all that implies.

The enlarged service of the hospital requires increased support. This support is growing year by year. Mother's Day offerings by the Sunday Schools and Churches has increased in the last few years from $11,500 to about $38,000 this year. The W. M. U. and other church agencies are contributing increased quantities of linen.

The years ahead call for increased offerings above this year. Let us do our best to give this great Institution a free hand to serve suffering humanity.

Respectfully submitted,

W. T. BAUCOM, Committee

Election of officers for the coming year:

Rev. J. H. Henline . . . . . Moderator
Rev. R. D. Campbell . . . . . Vice-Moderator
Warren Pritchard . . . . . Clerk and Treasurer

Report on Aged Ministers was handed to the clerk by Bro. J. C. Brown.

Report On Aged Ministers

This is a vital and important issue; that our aged ministers have come to years when they are not able physically to serve as they once did. So this problem of old age cannot be solved by dodging or neglecting it. Our Baptist Conventions, state and southern, realizing this fact, have joined in working out plans for aged ministers and church employees. Under this plan the pastor pays 4 percent of his salary, the church 4 percent and to this the state mission board adds its share. Such a plan is adequate to care for every aged minister who cares to join. A goodly number of churches and pastors have already taken advantage of this plan. It may take some time to get the pastors and churches to see the need of this plan but let us urge our individual churches to prayerfully consider this matter.

Respectfully submitted,
J. C. BROWN

THURSDAY EVENING

Opening song: "Higher Ground."

Brother Fonzer Buchanan again favored the association with another selection on his hand organ. This time Mr. Buchanan played and sang "Hold to God's Unchanging Hand" and dedicated it to Moderator **J. H. Henline.**

Rev. M. H. Kendall spoke to the gathering on the work of Sunday Schools and stressed its importance.

The W. M. U. Report was given by Mrs. N. G. Pittman.

W. M. U. Report

The watchword that we carry in our hearts these trying days when the world is at its worst and we must live at our best as we labor for the Master is a prayer expressed by the psalmist in these words: "O send out Thy light and Thy truth." Jesus said to his followers "Ye are the light of the world; let your light shine." His call to those who would follow Him is clear and unmistakable. We are to be light-bearing witnesses for a definite purpose.

In our W. M. U. work we can find opportunities for spiritual growth and development which will enable us to become acceptable witnesses for Him. In the spiritual realm we grow by lifting our eyes to the Light of the world.

In our weeks of prayer we can measure this superior service as we pray for the march of missions. We rejoice in the privilege of giving feet to our prayers when we practice the principles of good stewardship and make offerings for sending the light to many dark places.

We report the largest number of organizations and increased interest in mission study and other phases of our work. Let us see to it that our organizations are increased interest in mission study and other phases of our work. Let us keep our lights burning for unto us is given the privilege of giving light and saving life.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. N. G. Pittman

Mrs. Pittman discussed W. M. U. work at greater length and Rev. Boyd Cannon spoke in behalf of Royal Ambassador work in the association. Bill McKinney and Mrs. J. H. Henline emphasized the value of a W. M. U. in the church.

County B. T. U. work was discussed by Rev. Roy D. Campbell. Moderator J. H. Henline emphasized the value of a wide awake B. T. U. in every church.

Report of Committee on Time, Place and Preacher read and approved.

Report of Committee on Time, Place and Preacher

We, the members of your committee recommend that the 41st session of the Mitchell Association meet with Roan Mountain church on Thursday after the fourth Sunday in August 1943. We also recommend that Rev. M. L. Ross preach the annual sermon with Cline Ellis as alternate.

Respectfully submitted,
Boyd Cannon
W. A. McKinney
Willard Buchanan

Report of Committee on Resolutions was adopted.

Report On Resolutions

Whereas we who have attended the 40th annual session of the Mitchell County Baptist Association have been so graciously and pleasantly entertained by the pastor and membership of Grassy Creek Baptist Church,

Be it resolved, that we extend to them a rising vote of thanks as an expression of our sincere appreciation for their kind and generous hospitality.

Respectfully submitted,
W. T. Baucom
Geo. W. Greene
E. F. Watson

Report Of Treasurer

Amount sent in by various churches	$59.14
Cost for printing minutes	52.50
Postage (Estimated)	2.50
To clerk	20.00
Balance yet to be raised by various churches	15.86

Warren Pritchard, Treasurer

Report On Digest Of Church Letters

Number of Baptisms	108
Number of churches reporting	28
Number of pastors	16
Number church members	5407
Sunday School enrollment	3676
B. T. U. enrollment	425
W. M. U. enrollment	138
Total deaths this year	31

Gifts All Purposes

To Co-operative Program	$ 3,417.83
To Local Expenses	25,681.97
Grand Total All Gifts	$29 099.80
Baptisms decreased	61
Church membership increased	24
Total gifts increased over 1941	$4,015.61

Respectfully submitted,
Warren Pritchard, Clerk

The 40th session of the Mitchell Association was brought to a close with a prayer by Rev. W. T. Baucom to meet next with Roan Mountain church on Thursday after the 4th Sunday in August, 1943.

J. H. Henline, Moderator
Warren Pritchard, Clerk

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MITCHELL COUNTY BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

The Mitchell Baptist Sunday School Convention met with Beaver Creek church on Friday, August 7th. Mr. Oliver Young, the county superintendent, was unable to be present because he is now in the armed services. Rev. Charles Carpenter, the assistant superintendent, presided over the gathering. The program for the day was as follows:

Morning Session

1. Devotional—Rev. William Turbyfill.
2. Reading and Adoption of the program.
3. Recognition of pastors and Sunday School officers and teachers.
4. Roll call of churches. Seventeen churches were represented.
5. Appointment of committees.
6. Convention sermon—Rev. Dan Graham.

Afternoon Session

1. Special prayer for all who are now in the armed forces led by Rev. Boyd Cannon.
2. Discussion of qualifications for Sunday School officers and teachers—Rev. Molton Buchanan.
3. The effects of worldly amusements on Sunday School teachers—Rev. G. H. Glass.
4. Forum discussion of various Sunday School problems led by Rev. W. T. Baucom.
5. Report of committee on time, place and preacher was that the next convention would be held at Pine Branch church on Friday after the first Sunday in August, with Rev. Boyd Cannon to preach the annual sermon.
6. Election of officers for the coming year:

Rev. Astor Buchanan ..... Superintendent
Rev. Charles Carpenter ..... Assistant Superintendent
Warren Pritchard ..... Clerk

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Charles Carpenter, Supt.
Warren Pritchard, Clerk

PROCEEDINGS OF MITCHELL COUNTY ASSOCIATIONAL W. M. U. MEETING

The annual W. M. U. meeting was held with Grassy Creek church on June 4, 1942. Four churches having the organization were represented. The theme for the entire program was "Lighted that we may lighten."

Morning Session

Devotional ..... Mrs. W. C. Berry
Greetings and Response.
Roll call of churches and reports on various phases of mission work.
Addresses on Stewardship—Mrs. J. E. Jeakel of Hendersonville.

Afternoon Session

Devotional—Miss Virginia Duncan.
Discussion of the work of the young people—Those taking part in this discussion were Mrs. W. T. Baucom, Mrs. Lloyd Bryson, Miss Wilma Dale, Rev. Boyd Cannon and Mrs. Floyd Duncan.
Violin solo—Miss Ruth Dale.
Election of officers:

Superintendent—Mrs. N. G. Pittman, Spruce Pine
Associate Superintendent—Mrs. W. C. Berry, Bakersville
Secretary and Treasurer—Mrs. J. C. McBee, Bakersville
Personal Service Chairman—Mrs. Ed Willis, Spruce Pine
Stewardship Chairman—Mrs. Oscar Wilson, Bakersville
Mission Study Chairman—Mrs. R. P. Stroupe, Spruce Pine
Training School Chairman—Mrs. Lloyd Bryson Spruce Pine
Margaret Fund Chairman—Mrs. Bill McKinney, Spruce Pine
Young People's Leader—Mrs. G. B. Sproles, Spruce Pine

It was decided that the next annual meeting would be held at First Church of Spruce Pine at a time to be set by Mrs. W. D. Briggs of Raleigh.

Report of Hospitality and Memorial committee.
Benediction—Mrs. J. R. Morgan.

Mrs. N. G. Pittman, Supt.
Mrs. J. C. McBee, Secretary.

OUR DEAD

BAKERSVILLE
Mrs. Nora Greene
Deacon J. D. Pannell
Deacon J. S. Poteat

BERRY CHAPEL
Mrs. Laura Franklin

CANE CREEK
Mr. Dock Pitman
Mrs. Susie Wise

CUB CREEK
Mrs. Christiana Canipe

FORK MOUNTAIN
Mrs. W. W. Edwards

LILY BRANCH
Mr. Ralph Phillips
Mrs. Tilda Thomas

WHITE OAK
Mrs. T. J. Wilson
Mr. Gus Saylor

GRASSY CREEK
Mr. G. R. Dale
Mrs. Emily Hall
Mr. Alfonzo McGee

LITTLE ROCK CREEK
Deacon Dock Ayers
Mr. Jack Miller

MINE CREEK
Mr. James Hensley

MT. CARMEL
Mr. Jeff Pitman

ROAN MOUNTAIN
Mrs. Sarah Ledford
Mrs. Ida Wilson
Mr. W. M. Stamey
Deacon Charley Lowery

TOECANE
Mrs. Evelyn Johnson

HISTORICAL TABLE

Roan Mountain and Mitchell County Baptist Associations 1849-1892*

Date	Place	Moderator	Clerk	Preacher
1849	Double Island,	M. Peterson	S. M. Collis	Moses Peterson
1850	Beaver Creek,	L. Buchanan	S. M. Collis	Reese Bayless
1851	Roan Mtn.,	L. Buchanan	S. M. Collis	John Buchanan
1852	Grassy Creek,	L. Buchanan	S. M. Collis	James Ray
1853	Laurel Branch,	James Ray	S. M. Collis	S. M. Collis
1854	Big R. Creek,	L. Buchanan	S. M. Collis	Jacob Silver
1855	Bear Creek,	L. Buchanan	S. M. Collis	Leonard Buchanan
1856	Crab Tree,	L. Buchanan	John W. Peak	S. M. Collis
1857	Mine Creek,	L. Buchanan	S. M. Collis	John Buchanan
1858	Bald Creek,	James Collis	J. D. Howell	James Collis
1859	Roan Mtn.,	S. M. Collis	J. D. Howell	E. K. Blanton
1860	Pleasant Gr'e,	L. Buchanan	S. Honeycutt	S. M. Collis
1861	Double Island,	L. Buchanan	S. M. Collis	S. Byrd
1862	Zion	S. M. Collis	J. J. Jones	J. J. Jones
1863	Big Meadow,	S. M. Collis	J. P. Dickson	James Collis
1864	Pleasant Grove,	S. M. Collis	J. P. Dickson	S. M. Collis
1865	Beaver Creek,	John Autrey	J. P. Dickson	John Autrey
1866	Crab Tree,	S. M. Collis	J. P. Dickson	J. P. Dickson
1867	Mine Creek,	S. M. Collis	J. P. Dickson	J. W. Duncan
1868	Jacks Creek,	S. M. Collis	J. P. Dickson	Samuel Wilson
1869	Roan Mtn.,	H. W. Briggs	J. P. Dickson	H. W. Briggs
1870	Laurel Br'n'h,	H. W. Briggs	W. A. Honeycutt	S. M. Greene
1871	Grassy Creek,	S. M. Collis	S. M. Greene	J. C. Sparks
1872	Fork Mtn.,	S. M. Collis	S. M. Greene	J. W. Hollender
1873	Mt. Pleasant,	S. M. Collis	S. M. Greene	S. M. Collis
1874	Bear Creek,	S. M. Collis	S. M. Greene	Jesse Whit
1875	Yellow Mtn.,	S. M. Collis	J. W. Putnam	J. W. Putman
1876	Roan Mtn.,	S. M. Collis	S. M. Greene	L. W. Sams
1877	Little R. Cr'k,	J. C. Sparks	J. W. Putnam	W. H. Ollis
1878	Grassy Creek,	S. M. Collis	J. W. Putnam	S. M. Greene
1879	Cub Creek,	S. M. Collis	J. W. Putnam	E. A. Poe
1880	Cane Creek,	S. M. Collis	J. W. Putnam	S. M. Collis
1881	Rain Hill,	S. M. Greene	J. W. Putnam	S. M. Collis
1882	Bakersville	S. M. Collis	S. M. Greene	S. M. Greene
1883	Bear Creek,	S. M. Collis	J. W. Putnam	S. M. Collis
1884	Roan Mtn.,	S. M. Greene	J. W. Putnam	L. H. Greene
1885	Little R. Cr'k,	S. M. Greene	J. W. Putnam	T. H. McCourry
1886	Toe River,	L. H. Greene	S M. Collis	S. M. Collis
1887	Elk Park,	S. M. Collis	W. G. Buchanan	S. M. Greene
1888	Mine Creek,	J. W. Duncan	S. M. Greene	E. Buchanan
1889	Grassy Cr'k,	J. W. Duncan	S. M. Greene	J. C. Sparks
1890	Aaron, -	S. M. Greene	W. G. Buchanan	W. H. Ollis
1891	Fork Mtn.,	J. C. Sparks	D. M. Greene	L. H. Greene
1892	Big R. Cr'k,	W. G. Buch'an	J. W. Putnam	W. A. Robertson

TABLE I—Church Membership

CHURCHES	Location	When Constituted	PASTORS AND POST OFFICES	Days of Meeting	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP										W'k'ly Pray. M't's	Revival Meetings	Obs. Lord's Supper	Rec. Bap. Paper
					Members Last Year	GAINS: Baptisms	GAINS: Letters	GAINS: Statements	GAINS: Restorations	LOSSES: Letters	LOSSES: Exclusions	LOSSES: Erasures	LOSSES: Deaths	Present Members				
Alapass	V		G. H. Glass, Minpro	24	74	5				3				76	yes	1		
Bad Creek	C	1932	Floyd Ledford, Bakersville	2	64									64	no	1		
Bakersville	T		Roy D. Campbell, Bakers'le	all	191					6			3	182	yes	1	4	1
Bear Creek	C	1830	M. L. Ross, Concord	24	335	13				14			4	350	yes	2	1	
Beaver Creek	C		C. A. Buchanan, Tocane Rt.	1	107									107				
Berry Chapel	C	1934	D. N. Jones Elizabethton	13	158	12			2	4			1	167	yes	1		
Big Crabtree	C	1920	W. M. Turbyfill, Clarissa	2	79				1	1				79	no	1	1	
Big Rock Creek	C		No Report															
Black Mountain	C	1886	G. H. Glass, Minpro	23	147	2	2			2				149	yes	1	2	
Cane Creek	C	1876	J. Astor Buchanan, Clarissa	2	196	16	2	1		2			2	211	yes	2	1	
Chestnut Grove	C		J. L. Street, Nebo, Rt. 2	13	144				7	3			1	147	yes	1	1	
Cub Creek	C		Roy D. Campbell, Bak's'vle		187	1	2			2			1	187	yes	1	1	2
Fork Mountain	C	1856	Floyd Ledford, Bakersville	1	184	6				1			1	188	no	1	1	
Grassy Creek	C		W. F. McMahan, Marion	13	368		2			5			3	362	no		1	
Liberty Hill	C	1866	J. C. Brown, Cranberry	13	273	7	2			6				276	yes	1	1	
Lily Branch	C		Roy D. Campbell, Bak's'vle	3	226		2			1		10	2	215	no		1	
Little Rock Creek	C		C. A. Buchanan, Toecane	24	296	7	1	1		6			2	297	no	1		
Mine Creek	C	1849	C. A. Buchanan, Toecane	13	212	5	2			3			1	215	yes	1	1	
Mt. Carmel	C	1923	J. C. Brown, Cranberry	13	179	5	1	6	1				1	191	no	2	1	
McKinney Cove	C	1888	J. H. Henline, Clarissa	4	122					2				120	yes	1	1	
Pine Branch	C	1920	J. H. Henline, Clarissa	24	390		4			10				384	yes	1		
Rebels Creek	C		W. S. Woody, Spruce Pine	2	112									112	no			
Roan Mountain	C		J. H. Henline, Clarissa	3	317	5	2	1	2	2			5	320	yes	2	1	
Spruce Pine First	T	1908	D. Boyd Cannon, Spruce P.	all	273	8	5	1		5			1	281	yes	1	3	3
Spruce Pine Central	T	1932	W. T. Baucom, Spruce Pine	all	135	7	7			2		5		142	yes	1	4	15
Silver Chapel	C	1885	Roy D. Campbell, Bak'v'le	1	195					7				188	no			
Snow Creek	C	1915	G. H. Glass Minpro	13	170	4						5		169	no	1	1	
Spring Creek	C		No Report															
Toecane	V	1916	J. H. Black, Windom	24	86	5				2			1	88	yes	1	1	
White Oak	C	1884	J. H. Henline, Clarissa	1	143					1			2	140	no			

TABLE II—SUNDAY SCHOOLS

CHURCHES	SUPERINTENDENTS AND POST OFFICES	Cradle Roll Under 3	Beginners 3-5 Years	Primaries 6-8 Years	Juniors 9-12 Years	Intermediates 13-16	Young People 17-24	Adults 25 and Up	Extension Department	Gen. & Dept. Officers	Total Enrollment	Average Attendance	Baptisms from S. S.	Is School Graded?	Is It Standard A-1?	Diplomas	Enrollment Vacation	Average Attendance
Altapass	Deward Heffner, Altapass											40		no	no			
Bad Creek	Earl Burleson, Honeycutt		10	15		17		11		6	59	45		no	no			
Bakersville	G. D. Wilson, Bakersville	20	12	10	20	17	7	45		3	134	80		yes	no		45	36
Bear Creek	Jerry Duncan, Toecane, Rt. 1										260	200		yes	no			
Beaver Creek	C. B. Freeman, Spruce Pine		12	8	7	8	22	20		10	87	80		yes	no			
Berry Chapel	William Green, Spruce Pine										158	100		yes	no			
Big Crabtree	W. M. Braswell, Estatoe		7		6	12	10	10		8	53	40		no	no			
Big Rock Creek	Nor Report																	
Black Mountain	L. A. Connley, L. Switzerland																	
Cane Creek	Dewey Buchanan, Hawk		14		15	7	35	30			101	90		no	no			
Chestnut Grove	Arnold McFalls, L. Switzerl'nd		9	11	12	12	15	14	7		80	58		no	no	1		
Cub Creek	Claude Parker, Toecane	16	12	10	20	22	40	32		3	155	75		yes	no			
Fork Mountain	D. M. Cook, Bakersville			20		20	20	20			80	45		no	no			
Grassy Creek	Bill McKinney, Spruce Pine	6	26	16	48	39	40	48			223			yes	no	8		
Liberty Hill	Clifton Buchanan, Estatoe	26		13	25	34	24	61			183	165		yes	no			
Lily Branch	F. O. Phillips, Wing		18		15	20	42	30			125	79		yes	no			
Little Rock Creek	Mrs. J. J. Blevins, Bak v le Rt	10	30	15	35	30	30	50			200	76		yes	no		80	50
Mine Creek	John Parsons, Toecane	10	19	12	25	23	50	40		2	181	94		yes	no			
Mt. Carmel	Waits Pitman, Spruce Pine	10		30	30		35	35			140	100		no	no			
McKinney Cove	Jim McKinney Bakersville			30	30		35	35			101	57		no	no			
Pine Branch	Claude Duncan, Minpro		15		15		15	56			249	159						
Rebels Creek	Clarence Willis, Boonford			20	7	12	22	13		8	82	65		no	no			
Roan Mountain	Frank B. Young, Bakersville		12	23	27	20	60	41			183	125		yes	no			
Spruce Pine 1st	Ed W. Young, Spruce Pine		25	31	37	32	37	55		5	222	118		yes	no			60
Spruce Pine Cen.	George W. Greene, Spruce P.	14	9	7	14	25	19	32	12	14	146		7	yes	no		125	82
Silver Chapel	Clyde Robinson, Bandana	10	20	12	10	10	21	30	8		121	90		yes	no			
Snow Hill	S. J. Blalock, Toecane	15	24	10	20	15	30	20		8	142	80		yes	no			
Spring Creek	No Report																	
Toecane	T. T. Johnson, Toecane		12	7	12	16	12	50		12	121	46		yes	no			
White Oak	W. J. Henline, Toecane, Rt. 1			15	20		15	40			90	59		no	no			
TOTALS		137	286	285	420	391	601	783	27	79	3676	2146	7			9	250	228

TABLE THREE—Baptist Training Union

CHURCHES	DIRECTOR OF TRAINING UNION	Adult Unions	Young People's Union	Intermediate Unions	Junior Unions	Story Hours	Total Unions and Story Hours	Adults Enrolled	Young People Enr'ld	Intermediates	Juniors Enrolled	Story Hours Enrolled	Total En. U'c. & S.H.	Daily Bible Readers	Study Course	All Systematic Givers	Been A-1 For	One Quarter?	Students in College	Number Officers
Bakersville	Mrs. G. D. Wilson, Bakersville	.....	1	1	1	1	4	.....	20	10	6	10	46	28	.....	.....	no	.....	8	4
Berry Chapel	Herman Duncan, Spruce Pine	.....	1	1	1	.....	3	.....	13	18	11	.....	42	10	15	.....	no	.....	.....	.....
Cane Creek	Bruce Buchanan, Clarissa	.....	1	1	.....	.....	2	.....	15	20	.....	.....	35	11	.....	.....	no	.....	1	10
Grassy Creek	Wilma Dale, Spruce Pine	1	1	2	1	.....	5	14	21	30	20	.....	85	35	28	24	no	.....	2	27
Mt. Carmel	Charles Freeman, Spruce Pine	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	no	.....	.....	.....
Pine Branch	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Roan Mountain	Ethel Young, Bakersville	1	1	1	1	.....	4	8	20	21	13	.....	62	17	5	17	.....	.....	.....	11
Spruce Pine First	Mrs. Mildred Bryson, S. Pine	1	1	1	1	1	5	14	12	7	13	10	56	24	33	27	no	.....	2	9
Spruce Pine Cent.	David Bray, Spruce Pine	1	1	1	1	.....	4	13	15	17	11	.....	56	19	31	40	no	.....	2	7
Toecane	.....	1	1	1	1	1	5	17	12	9	5	.....	43	.....	.....	.....	no	.....	.....	12
TOTALS . .	.....	5	8	9	7	3	32	66	128	132	79	20	425	144	112	108	.....	.....	15	80

TABLE FOUR—W. M. U.

CHURCHES	PRESIDENTS OF W. M. S. AND POST OFFICES	No. W. M. Societies	Number of Y.W.A.s	Number of G. A.'s.	Number of R.A.'s	Number Sunbeams	W.M.U. Organizations	W.M.S. Members	Y.W.A.s Members	G.A.'s Members	R.A.'s Members	Sunbeam Members	Total Members	Total Enrolled In Mission Study Course	Contributions to Missions by W. M. U.	Grand Total Given By W. M. U.
Bakersville	Mrs. W. C. Berry Bakersville	1	.....	1	.....	.....	2	10	.....	8	.....	.....	18	.....	$	$ 76.41
Grassy Creek	Mrs. Jas. G. Hall, Spruce Pine	1	.....	.....	.....	1	2	12	.....	.....	.....	20	32	8	.....	77.70
Pine Branch	No Report	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Spruce Pine First	Mrs. W. M. McKinney, S. Pine	1	1	1	1	1	5	10	10	7	5	12	44	17	7.23	70.52
Spruce Pine Central	Mrs. R. P. Stroup, Sp. Pine	2	1	.....	1	.....	4	27	8	.....	9	.....	44	18	164.58	100.93
TOTALS	.....	5	2	2	2	2	13	59	18	15	14	32	138	43	171.81	325.56

TABLE V—Church Property

CHURCHES	CHURCH CLERKS AND POST OFFICES	Own House Worship?	When Was It Built?	Materials Used	Persons Seated	Number of Rooms	Dept. Assembly Rooms	No. Sep. Class Rooms	Value of Church House and Grounds	Total Value of All Church Property	Indebtedness on All Church Property	Insurance Carried
Altapass	Deward Hefner, Altapass	*	1925	Wood	300	1	.....	.....	$ 12,00	$ 1,200	.....	$ .....
Bad Creek	Mrs. Nora Garland, Bakersville	*	1939	Wood	.....	.....	.....	.....	85	85	.....	.....
Bakersville	Mrs. J. C. McBee, Bakersville	*	1927	Brick	500	12	1	11	10,000	10,000	.....	7,000
Bear Creek	Homer P. Buchanan, Toecane	*	1926	Wood	400	2	2	.....	9,500	9,500	.....	3,000
Beaver Creek	Mrs. Grace Burleson, Sp. Pine	*	1916	Wood	350	1	.....	.....	2,000	2,000	.....	.....
Berry Chapel	Lizzie Woody, Spruce Pine	*	1934	Wood	300	1	.....	.....	2,000	2,000	.....	2,000
Big Crabtree	C. A. Ledford, Estatoe	*	1927	Wood	300	1	.....	6	1,500	1,500	.....	.....
Big Rock Creek	No Report		.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Black Mountain	Reid Queen, Little Switzerland	*	1886	Wood	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,500	1,500	.....	.....
Cane Creek	Bruce Buchanan, Clarissa	*	1906	Wood	500	1	.....	.....	1,000	1,000	.....	.....
Chestnut Grove	Nellie Waycaster, L. Switzerland	*	1923	Wood	225	.....	.....	7	1,500	1,500	.....	.....
Cub Creek	C. L. Hoilman, Bakersville	*	1939	Brick	400	12	1	11	8,530	8,530	400	.....
Fork Mountain	D. M. Cook, Bakersville	*	1903	Wood	200	1	.....	.....	1,000	1,000	.....	.....
Grassy Creek	Edith Collis, Spruce Pine, Rt.	*	1928	Brick	500	.....	.....	10	12,800	12,800	.....	.....
Liberty Hill	J. C. Hoyle Estatoe	*	1926	Brick	500	1	.....	.....	10,000	10,000	.....	.....
Lily Branch	Zella Murdock, Toecane, Rt.		1939	Stone	500	.....	.....	.....	10,000	10,000	.....	.....
Little Rock Creek	Mrs. J. J. Blevins, Bak'ville, Rt.	*	.....	Wood	300	1	.....	.....	2,000	2,000	.....	.....
Mine Creek	Mrs. Belle Greene, Toecane	*	1928	Wood	300	1	.....	10	3,000	3,000	.....	2,000
Mt. Carmel	Elma Pitman, Spruce Pine	*	1923	Wood	300	1	.....	.....	1,000	1,000	.....	.....
McKinney Cove	W. A. McKinney, Bakersville	*	1910	Wood	250	1	.....	.....	2,000	2,000	.....	.....
Pine Branch	Tom Rhyne, Minpro	*	1929	Wood	350	1	.....	.....	3,000	3,000	.....	.....
Rebels Creek	Mrs. Fred Jarrett, Boonford	*	1940	Wood	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Roan Mountain	Claence Johnson, Bakersville	*	.....	Wood	500	1	.....	6	2,000	2,000	.....	.....
Spruce Pine First	Ed W. Young, Spruce Pine		1939	Stone	450	3	3	3	24,000	24,000	650	.....
Spruce Pine Central	Rom B. Sparks, Spruce Pine	*	1933	Stone	300	10	2	8	9.000	9.000	1270	2,000
Silver Chapel	Mrs. Beulah Hensley, Bandana	*	.....	Wood	300	1	.....	.....	3,500	3,500	.....	.....
Snow Hill	S. J. Blalock, Toecane	*	1915	Wood	500	1	.....	.....	3,000	3.000	.....	.....
Spring Creek	No Report		.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Toecane	J. Fred Rudd, Toecane	*	1916	Wood	400	1	.....	.....	1,400	1,400	.....	.....
White Oak	Arthur Wilson, Toecane, Rt. 1	*	1939	Wood	250	1	.....	.....	3,000	3,000	.....	2,000

* Denotes "Yes"

CHURCHES	REGULAR TREASURERS AND POST OFFICES	Pastor's Salary	Other Salaries	Ministerial Help And Supply	Building and Repairs Spent this year	Church Debt and Interest	Incidentals	Literature for S. S. and BYPU and WM	Help Given to Local Poor	For Printing Minutes And Clerk of Asso.	Other Objects	(Local Work) Ttotal Given by Church and All Its Organizations
Altapass	H. A. Hefner, Altapass	$199.08	$	$ 25.00	$	$	$	$ 16.00	$	$ 2.00	$	$ 242.08
Bad Creek	Monroes Yelton, Bakersville	36.17	2.01	8.60			1.00	13.50		.30	**1.50**	**63.08**
Bakersville	E. H. Poteat, Bakersville	1040.00			603.85	233.55	299.90	118.58		5.00	41.01	2341.89
Bear Creek	Jesse C. Buchanan, Toecane	860.17		86.50		292.38	127.00	99.41	207.68	5.00	368.09	2346.23
Beaver Creek	C. B. Freeman, Sp. Pine	171.72		29.05	8.67		**38.40**	32.60	43.24	2.24		325.92
Berry Chapel	Brown Buchnanan, S. Pine	360.00		127.15	414.38	37.50	122.58	53.52	31.97	2.00	15.15	1164.25
Big Crabtree	Joe Gurley, Boonford	63.27		25.00			5.00	20.00		1.60		114.87
Big R. Creek	Nor Reropt											
Black Mountain	L. A. Connley, L. Switzer'nd	351.04		118.42	53.70		43.37	26.72	7.76	3.25		604.26
Cane Creek	Rachel Dellinger, Hawk	242.17		101.46	10.00		65.82	54.25	17.85	3.00	66.51	561.06
Chestnut Grove	Fred Self, L. Switzerland	235.04		17.00	30.00		8.60	22.40	11.40	2.35		**326.79**
Cub Creek	C. L. Hoilman, **Bakersville**	202.50		108.96		198.00	49.70	62.00	23.75	2.00		**646.91**
Fork Mountain	D. M. Cook, Bakersville	100.00	39.60				42.00	15.00		2.00	107.35	305.95
Grassy Creek	T. W. Dale, Sp. Pine Rt. 1	300.00			886.64.		133.33	103.54		3.00		1426.51
Liberty Hill	D. W. Hoppas, Estatoe	**235.00**		**92.56**			121.21	89.16	27.93	3.50	100.00	**669.36**
Lily Branch	Jobe Murdock, Toecane, Rt.	157.82	45.00	256.33			68.65	41.42	12.20		85.00	666.42
Little R. Creek	Mrs. J. J. Blevins, Bak'le	333.50		31.00	3.64		67.60	32.57	8.00	1.00		**477.31**
Mine Creek	Mrs. Myrtle Davis, Toecane	356.08		41.95	1.00		111.60	44.50	107.13	2.00	65.95	730.21
Mt. Carmel	W. L. Freeman, Spruce P.	377.00			179.00		45.72	28.47				630.19
McKinney Cove	W. A. McKinney, Bak'ville	250.90		10.40			47.89	29.46		2.00	43.38	384.03
Pine Branch		400.70		117.50			197.57	103.10	35.00	5.00	23.22	882.09
Reberls Creek	Fred Jarrett, Boonford	45.79	32.25	30.00			25.36	25.13	11.67	2.00		172.30
Roan Mountain	H. O. Whitson, Bakersville	300.00		48.35			62.50	86.05	11.10	4.00	19.27	531.27
Spruce Pine 1st	Arl Burleson, Spruce Pine	1910.00		80.00	797.04	1838.63	213.18	154.24		**5.00**	12.50	**5001.59**
Spruce P. Cent.	David Bray, Spruce Pine	1920.00		87.50	434.34	271.25	202.96	117.86	86.00		235.24	3355.15
Silver Chapel	Retta Jarrett, Bandana	125.81					63.81	40.45	9.41	1.00	87.60	**328.08**
Snow Hill	Mrs. Cora Wilson, Toecane	205.11		**29.35**		48.78	16.65	27.87	11.00	2.00	170.00	**510.76**
Spring Creek	No Report											
Toecane	R. S. Johnson, Toecane	313.45		100.10			**43.39**	29.51	18.00	2.10	5.00	**511.55**
White Oak	Arthur Wilson, Toecane Rt.	154.21			8.45		**53.80**	32.75	26.16	2.00	84.49	361.86
TOTALS		11,246.53	118.96	1572.18	3430.71	3220.09	2278.59	1511.06	707.25	65.34	1531.26	25681.97

CHURCHES	Total to Co-op. Program	Special to Associational Missions	Special to State Missions	Special to Home Missions	Special to Foreign Missions	Special to Orphanage	Special to Hospitals	Hundred Thousand Club	Other Objects	Total Gifts to Missions and Benevolences by Church and All Depts.	Total Given for All Purposes by Church and its Organizations
Altapass											242.08
Bad Creek						10.50	2.14			12.64	75.72
Bakersville	5.05		38.85	18.46	21.00	138.10	36.22	15.00	18.82	291.50	2633.39
Bear Creek	16.67					117.76	50.80		185.23	370.46	2716.69
Beaver Creek						18.93	20.00			38.93	364.85
Berry Chapel						79.00	10.00			89.00	1253.25
Big Crabtree											114.87
Big Rock Creek											
Black Mountain						97.20	20.58			117.78	722.04
Cane Creek						18.66	6.60		8.00	33.26	594.32
Chestnut Grove							1.85			1.85	328.64
Cub Creek											646.91
Fork Mountain						30.50	5.00			35.50	341.45
Grassy Creek			58.70	5.00	14.00	50.00				127.70	1554.21
Liberty Hill						127.72	20.05			147.77	817.13
Lily Branch						15.55	9.50			25.05	691.47
Little Rock Creek							7.67		19.00	26.67	503.98
Mine Creek	5.95					22.50	6.00			34.45	764.66
Mt. Carmel	23.80			9.81		5.45				39.06	669.25
McKinney Cove					8.85	83.80	18.70			111.35	495.38
Pine Branch	13.41	75.04				283.28				371.73	1253.82
Rebels Creek						39.10				39.10	211.40
Roan Mountain	30.00					207.54	17.50	6.75		261.79	793.06
Spruce Pine First	169.33	7.20	12.24	82.00	24.41	35.20	14.71	28.45	4.12	377.66	5379.25
Spruce Pine Central	307.67		17.20	9.90	9.90	74.80	12.20	5.00	18.24	454.91	3810.06
Silver Chapel						16.20	17.34			33.54	361.62
Snow Hill						60.25	2.00			62.25	573.01
Spring Creek											
Toecane	187.55		12.61			41.96	9.35			251.47	763.02
White Oak						54.64	7.77			62.41	424.27
TOTALS	759.43	82.24	139.60	125.17	78.16	1628.64	295.98	55.20	235.41	3417.83	29099.80

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Minutes

of the

Mitchell County Baptist Association

held with

Roan Mountain Baptist Church

Thursday, August 26, 1943

95th Annual Session

Rev. J. H. Henline _____ Moderator
Rev. Roy D. Campbell _____ Vice-Moderator
Rev. Frank Parsons _____ Clerk and Treasurer

Next annual session to be held with the First Baptist Church of Spruce Pine on Thursday after the fourth Sunday in August, 1944.

Pastor of the Church to preach the Associational Sermon.

Rev. Roy D. Campbell, Alternate

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REV. J. H. HENLINE

Moderator of Mitchell County Baptist Association.

This is the tenth year our dearly beloved Brother and Moderator has presided over the Mitchell County Baptist Association as Moderator. He is a Christian gentleman, an interpreter of truth, a wonderful Revivalist, a servant of righteousness, a fine Pastor, and an excellent Preacher of the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ. Those who know him love him and admire him as a Moderator. He is still going strong and may his future years also be continual progress and advancement with the blessings of God forevermore.

"Ye must be born again." John 3:7

Edited by

REV. FRANK PARSONS,

Clerk and Treasurer,

Historian

Toecane, North Carolina

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." John 3:16.

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REPORTS FOR NEXT SESSION

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Temperance and Public Morals ---------- Col. E. F. Watson
Periodicals ---------- Reid Queen
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Obituary ---------- Rev. Floyd Ledford
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Roy Grindstaff ---------- Spruce Pine
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Ed Lowery ---------- Altapass
Clifford McGee ---------- Estatoe
Vestor McKinney ---------- Little Switzerland
Frank Parsons ---------- Toecane
J. Y. Sparks ---------- Toecane
David Sullins ---------- Altapass
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ALTAPASS—L. J. Wiseman, Mrs. David Sullins, R. L. Hefner Miss Mildred Hall, John Hall, Deward Hefner, Joe Sullins, Mrs. Nan Queen.

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Greene, Mrs. Lloyd Huskins, H. H. Willis, Ralph Fortner, David Hoyles.

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REBELS CREEK—Mrs. F. G. Jarrett, F. G. Jarrett, Mrs. Clearance Willis, Clarence Willis, Mrs. Fred Jarrett, Fred Jarrett.

ROAN MOUNTAIN—S. J. Wilson, M. S. Wilson, G. K. Wilson, Mallie Wilson, A. Green, Tarp Turbyfill, Leiter Slagle.

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WHITE OAK—A. R. McNeill, J. D. Byrd, A. B. Wilson, Mrs. Georgie Henline, Mrs. Bonnie Cate.

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CONSTITUTION
MITCHELL COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
Amended at 1938 Session

Name

Article 1. The name of the body shall be "The Mitchell County Baptist Association."

Object

Article 2. It shall be the object of this Association to furnish the Gospel to all the people of this Association, and to co-operate with the Baptist State Convention in giving the Gospel to all the world.

Membership

Article 3. Membership of this Association shall consist of three classes: 1st. The officers of the Association; 2nd. Pastors of Baptst Churches affiliated with the Association; 3rd. Messengers elected by the churches affiliated with the Association. Every church shall be entitled to three messengers and one additional messenger for every twenty-five members beyond the first hundred members.

Officers

Article 4. The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, a Vice-Moderator, a Clerk, a Treasurer, and a Historian. All these shall be elected by the Association in its annual meeting and shall hold office for one year, or until their successors are elected.

Boards and Committees

Article 5. The Association shall elect each year the following committee: The Executive Committee, consisting of five members from the Association at large. The Moderator, Vice-Moderator and Clerk of the Association shall also be members of this Committee. The committee shall have charge of the work of the Association between meetings of the Association. It shall make a written report to the Association at each meeting of the Association. 2nd. A promotion Comimttee: This Commitete shall consist of the Moderator, Vice-Moderator and Clerk of the Association; also the Superintendent of the County Sunday School Convention, the general director of the B. T. U. of the Association, the president of the W. M. U., and one additional member from each church affiliated with the Association, and all pastors of the Association. Nine members of this committee shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. This

committee shall bear the responsibility of bringing the churches of the Association to co-operation with the program of the Baptist State Convention.

Meetings

Article 6. The Association shall meet annually on Thursday after the Fourth Sunday in August. The fiscal year of the churches affiliated with the Association shall end July 31. Each church shall then prepare its letter to the Association, forward the same to the Clerk at least two weeks before the date of the meeting of the Association. At the request of the Executive Committee, the Moderator may change the time of the meeting of the Association if good and sufficient reason therefor shall occur.

Vacancies

Article 7. The Executive Committee may fill any vacancies occurring in this organization between meetings of the Association. Those so elected will hold office till the next meeting of the Association.

Amendments

1. This constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any session of the Association. Provided that notice of such amendment be given on the first day and the vote taken at the morning session of the second day.

By-Laws

1. Any church desiring admission into the fellowship of this body shall make application to the Executive Committee not less than two weeks before the meeting of the Association, and shall submit evidence of orthodoxy in faith and practice, and be ready to give any further information required by the Committee.

The Executive Committee shall submit its recommendations at the first session of the Association to make further investigation as to the desirability of admitting church making application. On the admission of this applicant. When this vote is favorable, the messengers shall receive the hand of fellowship by the Moderator.

2. Any church being shown to have departed from the doctrines or practices recognized by this Association may be suspended or excluded from the Association at any regular meeting by a majority vote of the messengers present.

BRIEF SUMMARY OF PROGRAM

AUGUST 26, 1943

Rev. J. H. Henline ..... Moderator
Rev. Roy D. Campbell ..... Vice-Moderator
Rev. Frank Parsons ..... Clerk and Treasurer

MORNING SESSION

10:00—Worship ..... G. H. Glass

10:15—Roll Call of Officers
10:30—Periodicals ..... J. C. Brown
10:35—Christian Literature ..... Frank Parsons
10:40—Song ..... Congregation
Special Prayer ..... D. N. Jones
Recognition of Visitors
10:45—Temperance and Public Morals ..... Col. E. F. Watson
11:00—V. B. S. ..... Roy D. Campbell
11:05—Appointment of Committees
11:10—Welcome and Announcements
11:15—Annual Associational Sermon
12:00—Noon—Adjourn for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION

1:00—Songs ..... Congregation
1:05—Worship ..... J. H. Black
1:20—Orphanage Report ..... W. M. Turbyfill
1:35—Christian Education ..... W. T. Baucom
1:50—Hospital Report ..... Willard Buchanan
2:05—Hymn ..... Congregation
2:10—Special Prayer ..... J. H. Henline
2:15—State Missions ..... Boyd Cannon
Home Missions ..... C. A. Carpenter
Foreign Missions ..... C. A. Buchanan
3:00—Special Song ..... Fonzer Buchanan
3:05—Cooperative Program Address
3:20—Aged Ministers' Report ..... Bill McKinney
3:30—Historian
3:35—Election of Officers
3:40—Obituary ..... Floyd Ledford
3:45—Adjourn until evening session.

EVENING SESSION

7:45—Worship with Special Singing ..... Buchanan Quartet
8:00—Sunday Schools Report ..... J. Astor Buchanan
8:15—W. M. U. ..... Mrs. N. G. Pittman
8:30—B. T. U. ..... Roy D. Campbell
8:45—Committee Reports
8:50—Sermon—"Baptist Doctrine" ..... J. H. Henline
9:20—Adjourn

PROGRAM AND PROCEEDINGS
of the ninety-fifth annual session of the
MITCHELL COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
ROAN MOUNTAIN BAPTIST CHURCH
Thursday, August 26, 1943
MORNING SESSION

Session called to order by the Moderator, Rev. J. H. Hen-

line and it was stated that because of conditions due to the war there would be only one day session.

The opening song, a special selection by the Moderator, was sung by the congregation while standing.

Worship—Rev. G. H. Glass delivered the devotional message, taken from Gen. 18-27 and used as his subject "Humility, Fellowship and Love."

Meeting called to order for the transaction of business by the Moderator, Rev. J. H. Henline. Rev. Frank Parsons was elected Clerk and Treasurer by the Associational Body to succeed Warren Pritchard, who is in the armed forces. The program was read by the Moderator and adopted by the Associational body.

Roll call of Associational Officers, Executive Committee, Pastors of Churches, New Pastors, Newly Ordained Ministers, Churches and Messengers, and their response individually was made with enthusiasm. One delegate from each Church was called upon to give a report in his own language of how his Church was getting along. This was with active interest and great zeal in the welfare of their Pastor and Church.

Recognition of visitors including State, Avery and Yancey and other counties, also other visitors. Among the visitors who spoke were: Smith Hagaman, Supt. of N. C. Baptist Hospitals. M. H. Kendall of Mars Hill College. John Arch McMillan of the Baptist Orphanage. L. L. Carpenter for the Biblical Recorder. J. C. Pipes for the Baptist work in general. Each of these speakers spoke most interestingly. Twenty-nine of the thirty churches had their messengers, contributions and letters there, and most of the pastors of the County were present. An extra fine cooperative spirit was shown by the Churches in the Baptist work.

Periodicals Report, by Rev. J. C. Brown, was called for.

Christian Literature Report, by Rev. Frank Parsons, was read by Rev. Frank Parsons and adopted by the body as a whole.

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN LITERATURE

Christian Literature. The printed productions by Baptists and for us Baptists and for all, includes the following:

1. The Word of God—the Bible, which is the Baptist textbook, the Book of books, given by God, approved, accepted and adopted

by us Baptists as our foundation and guide in learning, faith, hope, belief and eternal life for the present and future.

We will have to read, study, love and live this sensible, truthful, practical, inspiring and eternal Bible if we expect to grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

2. Books. Both the Old and the New Testaments speak of and contain books. Eccl. 12:12; John 21:25.

The Baptist book store in our state and the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention can furnish books for all our Church needs. Books that are Baptist approved, owned, published, fostered and controlled, which are helpful in preparing ourselves to better understanding, more efficient teaching, preaching, listening, living and service in this great Christian achievement.

3. Also Sunday School quarterlies, magazines and publications for the home, altar, Sunday School, officers, teachers and pastor.

4. And D. V. B. S. textbooks, department manuals and other Baptist literature for the guidance of the teachers and material for the school.

5. B. T. U. quarterlies, magazines and such periodicals as the pastors, directors, officers, leaders need to supervise and develop the work and to meet the opportunity and responsibility of the Baptist Training Union.

6. And the W. M. U. literature on organization and carrying on all phases of the graded programs in this wonderful Missionary task of making known the good news of God's redeeming grace and power.

7. Our two state papers: The "Biblical Recorder," a journal of the Baptist State Convention, which keeps us informed on our Baptist work in our own state.

"Charity and Children," Mills Home, Thomasville, keeps us informed on the fine service rendered to the orphans.

8. The Home Mission Magazine keeps us informed on what is being done and for what purpose in this work and service.

9. The Commission is a Baptist world journal, representing the world mission interest and activities of Southern Baptists and as the voice of the Foreign Mission Board.

Respectfully submitted,

Frank Parsons.

L. L. Carpenter, editor of Biblical Recorder, commented on this being a complete report and went ahead to speak in behalf of the Journal of the Baptist State Convention, The Biblical Recorder, and gave an encouraging report on the progress made by the paper in recent months, the circulation now standing at over 18,000.

Song by the Congregation. Special prayer was made at this

time, in the absence of Rev. D. N. Jones, led by Rev. W. M. McMahan of Marion, in the interest of our nation at war and the men and women in the U. S. service.

Temperance and Public Morals, by Colonel E. Frank Watson. The report was read and adopted and discussed.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE AND PUBLIC MORALS

Alcohol has been named "MANKIND'S ENEMY No. 1."

Alcohol has caused more deaths than all wars of all time.

When this World War No. 2 has been fought, we will then find that all these souls who have fallen in battles are not as many as King Alcohol has slain.

During the last year in the United States the consumption of liquors has reached 2,250,000,000 gallons, an increase of 13.26 per cent over 1941. The expenditure in 1942 was approximately $4,098,235,250.

We ration health-giving foods and drinks, but Old Man Alcohol continues to make people drunk in increasing numbers.

Liquor sales in North Carolina's 25 wet Counties totaled $1,392,-392.74 in May 1942, compared with $1,247,463.74 in May of 1941.

Public Morals

Immorality runs hand in hand with drunkenness and intoxication. Stop the sale of whiskey and you will stop practically all kinds of lawlessness. The youth of our land, not being disciplined at home, runs wild and fills our jails with both sexes. Proverbs: 23:21. "For the drunkard and the glutton shall come to poverty and drowsiness shall clothe a man with rags."

This is an old subject and if we content ourselves with writing about it and talking about it, we will never stop drunkenness. We can have what we want if we work for it, elect officers who believe in temperance and morals. Watch the kind of representative you send to the General Assembly.

Respectfully submitted,

E. F. Watson.

Daily Vacation Bible Schools Report, by Rev. Roy Campbell, was called for. Discussed by Rev. Roy Campbell, stating the need and the interest shown by the children in D. V. B. S. in the Church.

Appointment of Committees:

(a)—Committee on Time Place and Preacher for the 1944 Association: Geo. W. Greene, D. M. Cook, Will L. Canipe.

(b)—Committee on Resolutions: W. T. Baucom, J. Astor Buchanan.

(c)—Committee on Collection of Orphanage Produce: W. M. Turbyfill, Sam J. Blalock.

(d)—Committee on County Missionary—E. F. Watson, W. C. Berry.

(e)—Committee on Safeguarding and Reporting on Condition of Churches: W. T. Baucom, W. M. Turbyfill, George W. Greene, John W. McKinney, Mrs. W. C. Berry, and Mrs. George M. Baker.

Welcome Address was given by the local pastor, Rev. J. H. Henline, to the congregation as a whole in behalf of the pastor and church as a whole, that each and every one present feel as one of the family of God and to eat and eat and feel welcome, because the Church had done everything needed to welcome and feed one and all.

Annual Associational Sermon, in the absence of Cline Ellis, was delivered by Morris Elliott, ministerial student of Wake Forest. His subject was "A True Way of Life," taken from John 14:6 as the text. "Jesus Christ offers the only true way of life here and eternal life hereafter."

Noon—Adjourn for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Song—The afternoon session was opened by a song by the congregation.

Worship—The afternoon worship was conducted by Rev. J. H. Black.

Baptist Orphanage Report—by Rev. W. M. Turbyfill—was read by W. M. Turbyfill. Adopted. Discussed by J. A. McMillan, who, as usual, brought an extra good report to the body from the orphans, stating what the churches were doing for the orphans and how it was appreciated by the orphan children and how the children prayed for God to bless the Baptist people who fed them and clothed them.

REPORT ON BAPTIST ORPHANAGE

The Baptist Orphanage of North Carolina, known as Mills Home, has as its object the support and training of dependent children of the white race. Mr. I. G. Greer is General Supt., Mr. R. D. Covington is treasurer. Their offices are on the Mills Home grounds. The orphanage maintains two homes—the Mills Home at Thomasville and the Kennedy Home near Kinston. These are not orphanages, but two homes.

During 1942, 687 children were cared for in these two homes, 35 in the boarding homes, and 74 in their own homes. Due to excellent

care and management the health of the children is far above that of the outside population. Vegetables, meats and milk are produced on the home farm. "Charity and Children" paper is published each week at Mills Home and covers the activities of the Orphanage. The greatest asset of this orphanage is the many friends who love it. We must never lose sight of the one chief purpose of the Orphanage, and that is making worthwhile men and women out of dependent boys and girls.

Respectfully submitted,
W. M. Turbyfill.

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Christian Education—by Rev. W. T. Baucom—was read and then adopted by the body and discussed at length by L. L. Carpenter and M. H. Kendall, who spoke as representatives of Mars Hill College, in the interest of Christian education. Both presented the cause in a fine manner.

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Christian Education is more than the mere acquisition of knowledge. It is more than the training of mind and body. It includes the training of the Spirit, or soul—the development of Christian character.

The State cannot do this kind of training without endangering one of our fundamental freedoms—freedom of worship—the separation of church and state.

The most important thing in Christian Education in home, church and school is the teacher. The goal of all Christian teachers should be the method, example, and ideal set by Christ, the Master teacher of all time. And since ninety per cent of our leadership comes from our Christian schools, our Christian teachers should bend every energy to make our Christian schools the best and most appreciated in the land.

Nothing else will take the place of these schools. The pagan culture of ancient Babylon could not save it, the fine arts of Greece could not save her, for she went down with the doors of her universities wide open; the legal prowess of Rome could not keep that country from sinking; the military skill of Germany, Italy and Japan cannot save them from defeat and destruction. Such examples should remind us that we must revitalize Christian Education if we would have our own country to survive.

Just now Christian Education is being tested. There is a financial strain brought about by reduced enrollment, competition with tax-supported schools, whereby all students are highly subsidized, and also by high taxes and uncertain financial future which has disturbed many contributors to Christian schools. Another test comes from the fact that so many of our Baptists go to other schools, even

though our schools teach all these teach, as well as they do it, and at the same time do it in a Christian atmosphere.

A part of our present task is to meet and overcome these difficulties. Let us put much more of our money during these days of better incomes into our schools. In the field of patronage lies a great opportunity. Never was Christian Education needed as it is now. One generation of our boys is missing college training. To help offset this every Baptist girl should attend a Baptist college. In this way our girls can greatly serve our next generation and add to the usefulness of our schools and denomination in these testing times. We urge parents to send their girls to Baptist colleges.

Finally, do not forget to pray for our Christian schools.

Respectfully submitted,

W. T. Baucom, *Committee.*

Hospital Report—by Willard Buchanan—was called for.

Mr. Smith Hagaman, Superintendent of the N. C. Baptist Hospital, discussed hospitals in general, but particularly our own Baptist Hospital in Winston-Salem. He stressed the fact that it is a Christian institution, owned and operated by our denomination for this high and holy purpose—to give relief to suffering humanity in the name of Christ; especially the vast multitudes of sick in our state who are not able to pay for hospitalization.

It is imperative that our denomination see to it that it shall forever remain true to this high purpose.

Hymn by the congregation.

Special prayer for the soldiers in the armed forces, by Rev. J. H. Henline. At the request of Brother Henline, Rev. M. H. Kendall led this interesting prayer.

State Missions—by Rev. Boyd Cannon. The report was called for.

Home Missions—by Rev. C. A. Carpenter.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS

"The past year has been a year of rejoicing and achievements on all fields of Home Missions. On May 12, 1942, Home Missions paid the last dollar of debts. Also added 13 Missionaries, opened 43 Mission stations, constituted 6 churches during the year. We have in the army 670 chaplains and about 65 in the navy. The W. M. U. has done a great work also for expanding Home Missions. May we all pray for a spiritual revival.

Respectfully submitted,

C. A. Carpenter.

This report was adopted.

Foreign Missions—by Rev. C. A. Buchanan.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS

"To our Foreign Mission Board 1943 is indeed 'the year of liberty'—the time of its emancipation from the bondage of debt. The generosity of Southern Baptists, coupled with the Board's competent leadership, wise management, and rigid economy, have broken the shackles, and, on March 12, 1943, the financial obligation, which ten years before had reached the distressing height of over one and a half million dollars was removed. It is with an humble gratitude that a triumphant Board now faces a challenging future. While struggling against the bondage of debt, the Foreign Mission Board did not fail to carry on its regular program of service throughout its several mission fields—caring for its 481 active missionaries and its 78 noble workers, and the rest of its widely scattered mission work."

Respectfully submitted,

C. A. Buchanan.

Report adopted.

Cooperative Program address.

These three Mission Reports were all very interestingly discussed at length by Rev. J. C. Pipes, General Missionary of the Baptist State Convention of N. C.

Special Song—by Fonzer Buchanan. A Baptist favorite hymn was sung and played by Rev. Fonzer Buchanan and this special part of the service also was greatly enjoyed.

Aged Ministers' Report—by Bill McKinney. He read the report and the body adopted it. The discussion was made by W. T. Baucom and W. F. McMahan from a personal point of view and yet for the benefit of one and all concerned or likely to become concerned.

Historian—by Rev. Frank Parsons. The 95 years History of this Association and other important and relative information is found in this Minute, so be sure to read it, found on the following pages.

Obituary—by Rev. Floyd Ledford.

REPORT ON OBITUARY

We pause at this time to show our respect to those of our Churches who have passed on to their reward. They are missed and remembered.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Floyd Ledford.

OUR DEAD

ALTAPASS—
Mrs. Rice Styles
BAKERSVILLE—
Mr. Lee Vinson, Jr.
BEAR CREEK—
Deacon D. C. Buchanan
Mr. James Hughes
Mr. Brown Buchanan
Mrs. Alice Sparks
BIG ROCK CREEK—
Mrs. Dollie Mosley
Mrs. Maggie Buchanan
CANE CREEK—
Mr. Thomas Burleson
CUB CREEK—
Mrs. Pansy Hicks
FIRST BAPTIST OF S. P.—
Mrs. Lyda Stewart
Mrs. Linda Wilson
FORK MOUNTAIN—
Deacon H. R. Hughes
GRASSY CREEK—
Mr. Robert Hall
Mr. Sherman Washburn
Mr. Charlie Woody

LIBERTY HILL—
Mrs. Nancy Bartlett
Mrs. Kate Cox

LITTLE ROCK CREEK—
Mr. Roy Greene
Mrs. Fannie Woody
LILY BRANCH—
Mrs. Bessie Greene
Mrs. J. A. Conley

MINE CREEK—
Mrs. Wilt Davis
Mr. Wilt Johnson

PINE BRANCH—
Mrs. Opal McKinney
Mrs. Nettie Buchanan

ROAN MOUNTAIN—
Mr. J. B. Buchanan
Mr. Ted Morgan
Mrs. Bettie Wilson
Mrs. Susan J. Young

TOECANE—
Deacon T. C. Johnson

Total deaths—31.

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Election of officers for the coming year by the Association, as follows:

Rev. J. H. Henline ..... Moderator
Rev. Roy D. Campbell ..... Vice-Moderator
Rev. Frank Parsons ..... Clerk and Treasurer
Rev. Frank Parks ..... Historian

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Reports from various appointed committees are as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TIME, PLACE and PREACHER

We, the members of your committee, recommend that the 42nd session of the Mitchell Baptist Association meet with First Baptist

Church of Spruce Pine on Thursday after the Fourth Sunday in August, 1944, and that the Pastor at that time preach the annual Associational sermon, with Roy D. Campbell as alternate.

Respectfully submitted,
George W. Greene
D. M. Cook
Will L. Canipe

This above-mentioned report was adopted.

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

Whereas we, who have today attended the 41st annual session of the Mitchell County Baptist Association and the 94th annual session of the Old Roan Mountain Baptist Association, have been so graciously and pleasantly entertained by the members and the pastor of Roan Mountain Baptist Church.

Be it resolved: By a rising vote that we assure them of our deep appreciation and thanks for this kind entertainment and for the privilege of holding this 1943 session of our Association with this good Church.

Respectfully submitted,
W. T. Baucom
J. Astor Buchanan

The above-mentioned report was adopted.

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Adjourn until evening session.

EVENING SESSION

Worship. The evening session opened with special singing by the Buchanan Quartet, which was a blessing to all.

Sunday Schools Report—by Rev. J. Astor Buchanan—was read and adopted, then discussed by him.

B. T. U. Report—by Rev. Roy Campbell—was called for. This work was discussed by Rev. Roy Campbell in a manner that every church should have a B. T. U. organization. Rev. Baucom and Rev. Henline also emphasized the eternal value of a wide-awake B. T. U. work in the Eternal Kingdom of God and that in every church.

W. M. U. Report—by Mrs. N. G. Pittman—was read by her, then adopted by the Associational body, then discussed by Mrs.

N. G. Pittman, W. T. Baucom, and Rev. J. H. Henline. Each of the three speakers emphasized the value of a W. M. U. in the Association in each of the churches, because it was a fine organization and doing an eminently distinguished and useful service in the interest and welfare of the Master's Kingdom, Missions, and the Church as a whole. Blessings of God on the Woman's Missionary Union.

W. M. U. REPORT

We point with pride to the steady activities and steady growth in every phase of our work. Realizing that the increase has been due to the untiring service of those whose only compensation has been unceasing loyalty, unselfish devotion and persevering service. Our women have felt that it is a far nobler pursuit to minister than to be ministered unto and because of this spirit this report has been made possible. We are especially grateful that our Association went over the top in meeting its quota in gifts to the thousand dollar club co-operative program and all phases of the work. The Lord has blessed the young people in our Association. As members of the Woman's Missionary Union we are laborers together with God. That all the Kingdoms of the earth may know that Thou, Oh God, art the Lord, even thou only. United in this highest and holiest of causes the year 1943 calls us to deeper personal devotion to more zealous enlistment efforts and sacrificial support of Missions. Shall we not seek secret places of communion with God in the practice of prayer where we shall find power for our lives and united service, for we are laborers together with God.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. N. G. Pittman.

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Sermon: "Baptist Doctrine"—by Rev. J. H. Henline. This sermon was unusually appropriate and inspiring. The text was Matt. 28:19, 20. The subject was "Go Teach, Baptize, and Build a Church." He emphasized the need, for one and all, to carry out the teachings and commands of Jesus and be loyal therein.

This sermon and an old-fashioned hand shake of love and fellowship and a prayer brought to a close this session of the Mitchell County Baptist Association, to meet next year with the First Baptist Church of Spruce Pine on Thursday after the 4th Sunday in August, 1944.

Adjourn.

Rev. J. H. Henline, Moderator
Rev. Roy D. Campbell, Vice-Moderator
Rev. Frank Parsons, Clerk and Treasurer.

SUMMARY REPORT OF CHURCH LETTERS

Baptisms, 230. Increase over last year, 122.
Churches reported, 29. Increase over last year, 1.
Pastors, 16. Same as last year.
Ordained ministers, not pastors, this year, 16. Increase, 5.
Church members, 5,324. Decrease from last year, 83.
Sunday School enrollment, 3,830. Increase, 154.
B. T. U. enrollment, 344. Decrease, 81.
W. M. U. enrollment, 148. Increase, 10.
Deaths this year, 31. Same number as last year.
Revival meetings, 34. Increase, 8.
Gifts by W. M. U. to Missions, $794.61. To local work, $854.99.
Gifts by W. M. U. increased over last year $1,152.23.
Gifts by Churches to Missions, $4,105.32. Increase $687.49.
Gifts by Churches to Local Purposes, $27,954.22. Increase, $2,263.25.
Grand total gifts, $32,050.54. Increase, $2,950.74.
Cash (not produce) to Orphanage, $1,543.15. Decrease, $85.49.
Cash to Hospitals, $481.44. Increase, $185.46.
Three churches had an indebtedness last year of $2,320. Reduced to 2 churches and only $392.50. Of all the 30 churches, only 2 in debt to the amount of $392.50.

Respectfully submitted,
Frank Parsons, *Clerk.*

NORTH CAROLINA BAPTISTS

In our state of North Carolina, there are sixty-nine white Associations and two Indian Associations as associate members of the N. C. Convention of Missionary Baptists that reported in 1943. There are now 2,644 Churches in North Carolina in 1943, with membership of 551,348. There are 36 Indian Churches with a membership of 4,127 of Missionary Baptists in 1943. 19,542 were baptized in North Carolina in 1942 and 21,308 in 1943. Gifts to all causes in N. C. were $5,480,008.94 by Baptists in 1942; $6,454,818 in 1943. There are 34 N. C. Missionaries on foreign fields. There are 2,107 ordained Baptist ministers in North Carolina. The Baptist State Convention of North Carolina was organized in 1830.

SOUTHERN BAPTISTS

Southern Baptist membership is 5,367,129 Missionary Baptists.
Southern Baptists baptized 209,127 in 1942.
Southern Baptists had 25,737 Churches in 1942.
Southern Baptists built 220 new church houses in 1942.
Southern Baptists paid $52,247,662 in 1942.
Southern Baptists had 21,986 ordained ministers in 1942.
Southern Baptist Convention was organized in 1845.

BAPTISTS OF THE UNITED STATES

Baptist Bodies	1942
Negro Baptists	4,122,332
Northern Baptists	1,543,917
Southern Baptists	5,367,129
Fifteen small groups	560,000
Total in United States	11,593,378
Baptists in Canada	139,405
Total Baptists in North America (in this continent)	11,732,783

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HISTORY OF THE MITCHELL COUNTY MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

The year 1943 is the 95th annual session of this Missionary Baptist Association.

It has had three different names during these 95 annual sessions. It has been named 5 times during these 95 years. But only had three different names. It was named Roan Mountain Baptist Association at two different times.

It was named Mitchell County Baptist Association at two different times, and named Roan-Grandfather Association one time. Total 5 times named. And 3 times of these it had different new names.

ROAN MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION is the first name it had. It was given this name when it was organized on October 5, 1849, and went by this name in 1849 to 1883. Total 35 years.

Name changed for the first time, from Roan Mountain to Mitchell County Baptist Association in 1883, but 1884 was 1st year by Mitchell County name.

MITCHELL COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION is the second name it had. It went by this name in 1384 to 1910. Total 27 years.

Name changed the second time. This time from Mitchell County to Roan-Grandfather Mountain Association in 1911.

ROAN-GRANDFATHER MOUNTAIN ASSOCIATION is the third name it had. It went by this name in 1911. Total, 1 year only.

Name changed the third time. This time from Roan-Grandfather Mountain to Roan Mountain Baptist Association in 1912.

ROAN MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION. This is the 2nd time it had this name. It went by this name in 1912 to 1916. Total this time, 5 years.

Name changed the 4th time, this time from Roan Mountain Baptist Association to Mitchell County Baptist Association, in 1917.

MITCHELL COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION. This is the second time it had this name. It went by this name in 1917 to 1943, inclusive. Total this time, 27 years.

40 years all total this Association went by the name of Roan Mountain Baptist Association. The first time was 1849 to 1883; the second time from 1912 to 1916.

54 years all total this Association went by the name of Mitchell County Baptist Association. It went by this name in 1884 to 1910; second time, 1917 to 1943.

1 year all total it went by the name Roan-Grandfather Mountain Association.

95 years total, from time of organization to 1943, inclusive.

Yancey County was formed in 1833, which was around 28 years before Mitchell County was formed. Mitchell County was not formed till 1861.

This "Roan Mountain Baptist Association" was organized on October 5, 1849, at Double Island Baptist Church in Yancey County, N. C. This was before Mitchell County was ever formed into a county.

The Reverend Stephen Morgan was one of the powerful, outstanding Missionary Baptist preachers at this time, in 1849. He was temporary chairman and Lewis Palmer temporary clerk at the organizing of this first Association in 1849. But Elder and Rev. Moses Peterson was elected Moderator and Elder and Rev Stephen M. Collis elected Clerk at this first session. The "Rules of Decorum" of the Big Ivy Missionary Baptist Association and the "Constitution" and the "Articles of Faith" of the old mother French Broad Missionary Baptist Association were all adopted for this Roan Mountain Baptist Association for the government of this body.

So the first session of the Mitchell County Missionary Baptist Association was held in Yancey County on October 5, 1849, because Mitchell County was not yet formed into a County, and so Mitchell County was in Yancey County territory at this time, in 1849.

HISTORICAL TABLE MITCHELL COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Date	Place	Moderator	Clerk	Associational Sermn By
1849	Double Island	Rev. Moses Peterson	Rev. S. M. Collis	Rev. Moses Peterson
1850	Beaver Creek	Rev. Leonard Buchanan	Rev. S. M. Collis	Rev. Reese Bayless
1851	Roan Mountain	Rev. Leonard Buchanan	Rev. S. M. Collis	Rev John Buchanan
1852	Grassy Creek	Rev. Leonard Buchanan	Rev. S. M. Collis	Rev. James Ray
1853	Laurel Branch	Rev. James Ray	Rev. S. M. Collis	Rev. Stephen M. Collis
1854	Big Rock Creek	Rev. Leonard Buchanan	Rev. S. M. Collis	Rev. Jacob Silver
1855	Bear Creek	Rev. Leonard Buchanan	Rev. S. M. Collis	Rev. L. Buchanan
1856	Crab Tree	Rev. Leonard Buchanan	John W. Peak	Rev. S. M. Collis
1857	Mine Creek	Rev. Leonard Buchanan	Rev S. M. Collis	Rev. John Buchanan
1858	Bald Creek	Rev. James Collis	J. D. Howell	Rev. James Collis
1859	Roan Mountain	Rev. Stephen M Collis	J. D. Howell	Rev. E K. Blanton
1860	Pleasant Grove	Rev. Leonard Buchanan	S. Honeycutt	Rev. Stephen M. Collis
1861	Double Island	Rev. Leonard Buchanan	Rev. S. M. Collis	Rev. S. Byrd
1862	Zion, Yancey Co.	Rev. S. M. Collis	Rev. J. J. Jones	Rev. J. J. Jones
1863	Big Meadow	Rev. S. M. Collis	Mr. J. P. Dickson	Rev. James Collis
1864	Pleasant Grove	Rev. S. M. Collis	Mr. J. P. Dickson	Rev. Stephen M. Collis
1865	Beaver Creek	Elder John Autrey	Mr. J. P. Dickson	Rev. John Autry
1866	Crab Tree	Rev. S. M. Collis	Rev. J. P. Dickson	Rev J. P. Dickson
1867	Mine Creek	Rev. S. M. Collis	Rev. J. P. Dickson	Rev. J. W. Duncan
1868	Jacks Creek	Rev. S. M. Collis	Rev. J. P. Dickson	Rev. Samuel Wilson
1869	Roan Mountain	Rev. H. W. Briggs	Rev. J. P. Dickson	Rev. H. W. Briggs
1870	Laurel Branch	Rev. H. W. Briggs	W. A. Honeycutt	Rev. Stephen M. Greene
1871	Grassy Creek	Rev. S M. Collis	Rev. S. M. Greene	Rev. J. C. Sparks
1872	Fork Mountain	Rev. S M. Collis	Rev. S. M. Greene	Rev J. W. Hollender
1873	Mt. Pleasant	Rev. S M. Collis	Rev. S. M. Greene	Rev. S. M. Collis
1874	Bear Creek	Rev. S M. Collis	Rev. S. M. Greene	Rev. Jesse Whit
1875	Yellow Mountain	Rev. S M. Collis	Rev J. W. Putnam	Rev. J. W. Putnam
1876	Roan Mountain	Rev. S M. Collis	Rev. S. M. Greene	Rev. L. W. Sams
1877	Little Rock	Rev. J. C. Sparks	Rev. J. W. Putnam	Rev. W. H Ollis
1878	Grassy Creek	Rev. S. M. Collis	Rev. J. W. Putnam	Rev. S. M. Greene
1879	Cub Creek	Rev. S. M. Collis	Rev. J. W. Putnam	Rev. E. A. Poe
1880	Cane Creek	Rev. S. M. Collis	Rev. J. W. Putnam	Rev. S. M. Collis
1881	Rain Hill Ch.	Rev. S. M. Greene	Rev. J. W. Putnam	Rev. S. M. Collis
1882	Bakersville	Rev. S. M Collis	Rev. S. M. Greene	Rev. S M. Greene
1883	Bear Creek	Rev. S. M Collis	Rev. J. W. Putnam	Rev. S. M. Collis
1884	Roan Mountain	Rev. S. M. Greene	Rev. J. W. Putnam	Rev. L. H. Greene
1885	Little Rock	Rev. S. M. Greene	Rev. J. W. Putnam	Rev. T. H. McCourry
1886	Toe River	Rev. L. H. Greene	Rev S. M. Collis	Rev. S. M. Collis
1887	Elk Park	Rev. S. M. Collis	Rev. W. G. Buchanan	Rev. S. M. Greene
1888	Mine Creek	J. W Duncan	Rev. S. M. Greene	Rev. E. Buchanan
1889	Grassy Creek	J. W Duncan	Rev. S. M. Greene	Rev. J. C. Sparks
1890	Aaron	Rev. S. M. Greene	W. G. Buchanan	Rev. W. H Ollis
1891	Fork Mountain	Rev. J. C. Sparks	D. W. Greene	Rev. L. H. Greene
1892	Big Rock Creek	Rev. W. G. Buchanan	Rev. J. W Putnam	Rev. W. A. Robertson
1893	Big Meadows	Rev. S. M Greene	Rev. J. W Putnam	Rev. J. W. Putnam
1894	Roan Mountain	Rev. L. H. Greene	Rev. S. M. Greene	Rev. L. H. Greene
1895	Lily Branch	Rev. L. H. Greene	D. W. Greene	

Date	Place	Moderator	Clerk	Associational Sermn By
1897	Little Rock Creek	Rev. S. M. Greene	D. W. Greene	Rev. S. M. Greene
1898	Bear Creek	Rev. S. M. Greene	D. W. Greene	Rev. P. J Shell
1899	Yellow Mountain	Rev. S. M. Greene	D. W. Greene	Rev. T. M. Honeycutt
1900	Bakersville	Rev. S. M. Greene	D. W. Greene	Rev. A. E. Brown
1901	Liberty Hill	Rev. S. M. Greene	D. W. Greene	Rev. J. B. Naugle
1902	Cane Creek	Rev. S. M. Greene	D. W. Greene	Rev. J W. Duncan
1903	Aaron	Rev. S. M. Greene	W. F. Dodson	Rev. L. H. Greene
1904	Roan Mountain	Rev. S. M. Greene	W. F. Dodson	Rev. T. M. Reid
1905	Roaring Creek	Rev. S. M. Greene	W. F. Dodson	Rev. A. E. Brown
1906	Bear Creek	Rev. S. M. Greene	W. F. Dodson	Rev. J. W Duncan
1907	Grassy Creek	Rev. S. M. Greene	W. F. Dodson	Rev. L. H. Greene
1908	Silver Chapel	Rev. S. M. Greene	W. F. Dodson	Rev. S. M. Greene
1909	Bakersville	Rev. L. H. Greene	W. F. Dodson	Rev. A. E. Brown
1910	Pleasant Hill	Rev. L. H. Greene	D. W. Greene	Rev. J C. Blalock
1911	Spruce Pine	Rev. L. H. Greene	R. T Teague	Rev. S. M. Greene
1912	Cane Creek	Rev. S M. Greene	W. F. Dodson	Rev. A. D. Smith
1913	Fork Mountain	Rev. L. H. Greene	J. H. Phillips	Rev. J. C. Owen
1914	Lily Branch	Rev. J. A. Gouge	W. F. Dodson	Rev. C. P Holland
1915	Bakersville	Hon. Chas. E. Greene	W. F. Dodson	Rev. S. M. Greene
1916	Little Rock Creek	Rev. S. M Greene	W. F. Dodson	Rev. L. H. Greene
1917	Cub Creek	W. F Dodson	C. C. Pritchard	Dr. A. E. Brown
1918	Liberty Hill	Rev. S. M. Greene	Rev. M. L. Buchanan	Rev. M L. Buchanan
1919	Roan Mountain	Rev. S. M. Greene	W C. Berry	Rev. J. A. Gouge
1920	Spruc Pine	Rev. S. M. Greene	Rev. C. G. Ellis	Rev. Isaac Grindstaff
1921	Lily Branch	Rev. S. M. Greene	D. W. Greene	Rev. Chas. G. Ellis
1922	Bakersville	Rev. S. M. Greene	D. W. Greene	Rev. J. C. Thomas
1923	Grassy Creek	Rev. C. G. Ellis	W. C. McKinney	Rev. Chas G. Ellis
1924	Fork Mountain	Rev. C. G. Ellis	Clarence Johnson	Rev. G. P. Lanier
1925	Pine Branch	Rev. C. G. Ellis	D. W. Greene	Rev. C. G. Ellis
1926	Little Rock	Mr. W. C Berry	J. F. Greene	Dr. C. E. Maddry
1927	Toecane	Rev. J. H. Henline	D. W Greene	Rev. J. H Henline
1928	Bakersville	Rev. J. H. Henline	D. W Greene	Rev. H. M. Stroup
1929	Cane Creek	Rev. J. H. Henline	M. C. Brown	Rev. C. G. Ellis
1930	Silver Chapel	Rev. J. H. Henline	M. C. Brown	Rev. H. M. Stroup
1931	Snow Hill	Rev. J. H. Henline	M. C. Brown	Dr. O E. Sams
1932	Spruce Pine 1st	Rev. J. H. Henline	Robert N. Young	Rev. C. G. Ellis
1933	Roan Mountain	Rev. J. H. Henline	R. N. Young	Rev. J. A. Gouge
1934	Mine Creek	Rev. R. D. Campbell	John C. Greene	Rev. I. J. Ingle
1935	Black Mountain	Rev. R. D. Campbell	Ralph Collis	Dr. J. C Owen
1936	Bear Creek	Rev. R. D. Campbell	J. A. Hudson	Dr. J. H. Henline
1937	Beaver Creek	Rev. R. D. Campbell	Clarence Johnson	Dr. J. A. Hudson
1938	Lily Branch	Rev. R. D. Campbell	Clarence Johnson	Rev. C. A. Buchanan
1939	Cub Creek	Rev. R. D. Campbell	Warren Pritchard	None preached
1940	White Oak	Rev. R. D. Campbell	Warren Pritchard	Rev. W T. Baucom
1941	Snow Hill	Rev. J. H. Henline	Warren Pritchard	Rev. R. H. Satterfield
1942	Grassy Creek	Rev. J. H. Henline	Warren Pritchard	Rev. Roy D. Campbell
1943	Roan Mountain	Rev. J. H. Henline	Rev. Frank Parsons	Morris Elliott

1849—(Here is where and when the Mitchell County Missionary Baptist Association was organized and held the first session October 5, 1849, at Double Island Missionary Baptist Church in Yancey County, North Carolina. 18 churches were represented and had their letters there read: Roan Mountain, Grassy Creek, Zion, Double Island, Bear Creek, Little Rock Creek, Three Mile, Beaver Creek, Laurel Branch, Ramsey Town, Jack's Creek, Crab Tree, New Liberty, Big Rock Creek, Bolen's Creek, Toe River, Pine Grove, Cranberry.

Total membership of the churches represented was 666.

Minutes printed, 500 for $7.00. Ordained ministers in the Association, 11.

1850—(Total church membership of the churches represented, 714. Churches, 20.

1851—(5 Yancey churches did withdraw to organize a separate body. This cut the churches, ministers and membership down to 531.)

1852—(Here two newly constituted churches were received, viz: Providence and Mine Creek. Other churches received, but no name given.)

1854—(Resolution: Resolved that Sabbath Schools are a deservable object, and being only one in our bounds, we advise the churches to establish and encourage them in every church.)

1855—(Resolved, "that we set apart the Friday before the first Saturday in June next as a day of fasting and solemn prayer for Baptist churches.)

1857—(Report on Sabbath Schools: We are glad to know that some of our churches have established Sunday Schools and urge all to do so.)

1858—(Report on Sunday Schools speaks of this institution as being the means of saving many souls and urges all the church members to engage in Sunday School work as missionaries for Christ.)

1861—(Civil War between the States is on at this time. Began in April, 1861. Resolution: Resolved ,that we set apart one hour each day for solemn prayer. It was agreed to set apart the first Thursday in November next as a day of fasting and prayer for peace to be restored to the country. This is the thirteenth session.)

Mitchell County was formed in 1861 out of territory that was included in Yancey County from 1833 to 1861.

The above 13 sessions were all held in territory that was at that time in Yancey County, because Mitchell County was not formed till 1861.

In Mitchell County: Mitchell County was named in honor of Rev. Elisha Mitchell, the mountain explorer of Mt. Mitchell.

1863—(This is the fifteenth session, but it is the first session ever held in Mitchell County, since Mitchell County has been named Mitchell County. Some of the above 15 places were then in Yancey, but now in Mitchell. But since Avery County was formed later on, this Big Meadow place comes within the territory that was portioned off for Avery County.

14 churches were represented and had their letters read.

1864—(Pleasant Grove in Yancey County. It was agreed to set apart Friday before the 4th Sunday in October as a day of fasting and prayer in behalf of the then bleeding country. Civil War ended April, 1865.)

1865—(Sunday Schools were in the most flourishing condition known in the history, and the report on the state of the churches is good; more additions this year than in any previous year. The report says it is believed to be owing to the fact that politics was not known in the churches, and the good influence of the Sabbath Schools. 284 received.)

1866—(Agreed to organize a Sabbath School Convention at Roan Mountain Church on Friday before the 3rd Sunday in November next.)

1868—(Jacks Creek is in Yancey County.)

1870—(Laurel Branch is in Yancey County. It was here that the Association was divided. The Turn Pike road, leading from Marion, McDowell County, to the top of Iron Mountain to be the line. Churches on the East side to constitute the Roan Mountain Association, and those on the West side to constitute the Black Mountain Association. 36 churches were represented. Total membership of churches, 1,962.)

1871—(One newly constituted church received by the name of Cub Creek. After the Association was divided, this left 17 churches represented. Membership, 1,122.)

1373—(Mt. Pleasant was in Mitchell that year, but later came to be in Avery County.)

1875—(Yellow Mountain was then in Mitchell but later went with Avery County.)

1877—(Two newly constituted churches received: Toe River and Roan Valley.)

1881—(Rain Hill Church is in Carter County, Tennessee. Owing to the church house being burned the night before the meeting by some designing person or persons there was a general confusion, and but very little business done.)

1883—(Here the name of the Association was changed for the first time since it was organized and named. Changed from Roan Mountain Baptist Association to Mitchell County Baptist Association. Changed in 1883, but 1884 was the first year it went by the Mitchell County Baptist Association's new name.)

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1884—(There were 3 newly constituted churches received, viz: Mt. Vernon, Liberty Hill and White Oak; and two from Black Mountain Association by letter: Mine Creek and Big Rock Creek.

1886—(At this time, there was considerable talk and excitement in regard to the Mormon missionaries in our country.)

1887—(Missionary's report for the last year: Rev. W. H. Ollis labored about six months in the destitution of this Association, assisted in the constitution of two churches, preached 37 sermons, delivered a number of exhortations and Sunday School addresses, made 25 religious visits, traveled 420 miles and received about $5 for his services.

1888—Received one newly constituted church: McKinney Cove. Received from Yancey County Association, to-wit: Black Mountain, Big Crabtree, Chestnut Grove, Silver Chapel, Lilly Branch, Other churches received at different times; names not listed.)

1889—(This was the last Association Rev. Stephen M. Collis ever attended. He was the great pioneer and leader in the great temperance movement in Western North Carolina. The report was that 421 boys were in the penitentiary then on account of liquor.)

1890—(Aaron in Mitchell then, but later became part of Avery County. General gloom in this session over the death of Rev. S. M. Collis on April 16, 1890.)

(J. M. Stafford, about 40 years old, died about the first of November following. A fine teacher. Would not charge a minister anything for educating his children, nor an orphan. He said he was called to preach, but would not let the church liberate him. He was good to orphan children, and a great church worker and friend. He was missed.)

1892—(26 churches present. Membership 2,194. This year 128 baptised, 17 restored, 88 excluded, 22 dead. Paid to pastors, $515.10.)

1893—(Big Meadows then in Mitchell, address Hughes, which later was in Avery County.)

1896—(Mt. Pleasant then in Mitchell, address Hughes, later a part of Avery County.)

1899—(Yellow Mountain was then in Mitchell, address Plum Tree, later Avery County.)

1903—(Aaron was in Mitchell then, later became in Avery County. Address, Montezuma.)

1905—(Roaring Creek in Mitchell then, later in Avery County. Address, Valley, N. C.

1910—(Pleasant Hill then in Mitchell, later Avery County. Address, Frank, N. C.)

ROAN-GRANDFATHEHR MOUNTAIN ASSOCIATION

1911—(Name changed the second time. This time from Mitchell County to Roan-Grandfather Mountain Association. Changed in 1911, so this is the only session under this new name. This is the third new name it has had since organized in 1849. Avery County was formed from territory taken from Mitchell County in 1911.)

ROAN MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

(Name changed third time in 1912 back to Roan Mountain Baptist Association, from Roan-Grandfather Mountain Association.)

1915—(Something new in this body of Baptist people: A lay member elected as Moderator—Hon. Chas. E. Greene. He is a distinguished lawyer. He gives the tenth of his income to Christian purposes.)

1916—(Name changed the fourth time: This time from Roan Mountain to Mitchell County Baptist Association in 1917.)

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1919—(In 1912 it was moved and seconded this Association grant these Avery County Churches letters to organize an Association in Avery County, to-wit: Elk Fork, Cranberry, Mt. Pleasant, Pleasant Hill, Aaron, Crossnore, Big Meadows, Green Valley, Yellow Mountain, Pinola, Roaring Creek, Henson's Creek, Oak Grove, Linville.)

(World War—The great international conflict began on July 28, 1914, and involved on one side the Central Powers [Germany and Austria-Hungary], and their allies [Turkey and Bulgaria], and on the other side the 23 Allied and Associated Powers, including the United States. The signing of an armistice by Germany on November 11, 1918, brought about the cessation of hostilities for the ending of the First World War.)

1943—(It was suggested each person pray each day for God to stop this awful World War 2.)

(Mitchell County population in 1940 was 15,980. Avery County was 13,561. Yancey County was 17,202.)

I desire to pause long enough here, in relating this History, to give due recognition to Mr. and Mrs. Rafe Johnson; Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Johnson; to the Sunday School Board and the Southern Baptist Convention of Nashville, Tenn.; to the North Carolina Baptist State Convention of Raleigh, N. C.; to Mitchell County Baptist Association; to Wake Forest College, Wake Forest, N. C. to the thirty churches of this Association, and to the pastors and many others for their valuable records and assistance in this great undertaking of this History.

Since this Association was organized in 1849, each of the 13 sessions from 1849 to 1861 was held in Yancey County, because

Mitchell County was not formed until 1861, and since 1861 every Association has been held in Mitchell County except six: 1862, 1864, 1866, 1868, 1870, were held in Yancey County; 1881 was held in Carter County, Tenn. 76 Associations held in Mitchell, 18 in Yancey, 1 in Tennessee, of this Mitchell County Missionary Baptist Association.

When Roan Mountain Baptist Association was organized in 1849 the membership that first year was 666.

By 1870 membership of the churches in the Association had increased to 1962. This Association was held at Laurel Branch Church, Yancey County, and it was here that the Association was divided. The Turn Pike road leading from Marion, McDowell County, to the top of the Iron Mountain to be the line. Those Churches on the East side to constitute the Roan Mountain Association, and those on the West side to constitute the Black Mountain Association. Letters read from 36 churches at this Association. This cut the membership down.

Next year, 1871, 17 church letters read. Membership, 1122.

Then in 1911 Avery County was formed, and in 1912 letters as a whole were granted for organizing a new Association in Avery County; total 15 churches. After these 15 churches were deducted, that left the membership at 2,282 for the Roan Mountain Association. Membership of our Association was increased to 5,324 in 1943, from 666 in 1849, from 1,122 in 1871, and from 2,282 in 1912. Church membership is the greatest in 1943 it has ever been in Mitchell County Baptist Association.

There were Baptists in North Carolina as early as 1695, some think even from the first settlement of individuals around forty years earlier, but we are unable to prove Baptists were in North Carolina earlier than 1695.

But the oldest church in North Carolina seems to date only to 1727. Further details regarding early Baptist history are hardly possible in a narrative like this. Early Baptists were made to bear great burdens and persecutions, and how, in spite of hardships, God has prospered. Baptists have suffered ever since the days of John the Baptist, and one will only have to study the history of Baptists to quickly be convinced how much Baptists have had to suffer.

No Baptist church migrated to North Carolina. Not even a Baptist preacher came in the early days; only individual Baptists. No one to organize a Baptist church, no one to baptize converts. Baptists could only instruct their children in the principles they held dear and as a sacred heritage.

Shiloh Baptist Church, in Camden County, was organized in 1727. It was the first and oldest church in North Carolina.

The Sandy Creek Association in North Carolina was formed about 1756.

The first Baptist preacher came to North Carolina in 1720, as far as can be determined. He was Rev. Paul Palmer.

About the year 1756, the South Carolina Association passed a resolution requesting the Philadelphia, Pa., Association to select and send some preacher to minister to the fourteen churches along the Yadkin River and along the North Carolina and South Carolina line, to what is now North Wilkesboro in Wilkes County, and as far as Mountain City, Tenn. The Philadelphia Association sent Rev. John Gano. He came to North Carolina on horseback, the only mode of travel at that time, and roads were in many sections of the country almost impassable. He traveled and preached in the Churches of these settlements.

About 1790 these 14 churches were organized into the old Yadkin Association. About this time the Virginia Association was petitioned by this Association for the right to organize a separate Association in North Carolina. This new Association (Yadkin) covered the entire territory from Salisbury West, as far as what is now Mountain City, Tennessee. The old Yadkin Association still remained, and different associations were organized from time to time.

Mountain District Association was organized out of this old Yadkin Association between 1790 and 1840. And in 1340 the Three Forks Association was organized out of this Mountain District Association. This Mountain District Association embraced territory in North Carolina, East Tennessee, and a small portion of Virginia. In the session of the Association with Roan's Creek Church at Mountain City, Tennessee, this Three Forks Association was divided into four subdivisions.

It is not necessary to determine who was the first Baptist preacher to proclaim the Gospel west of the Blue Ridge Mountains in this State of North Carolina, or which was the first Baptist Church organized, tho the French Broad Missionary Baptist Church in Henderson County, organized in 1789, claims this distinction, and so does the Little Ivy Missionary Baptist Church in Madison County also claim this distinction. We believe the first Missionary Baptist preacher was John the Baptist, Mat. 3:1, 6, 13, 16. We also believe the first Missionary Baptist Church was that first church Jesus established in Jerusalem: Matt 16:18; Acts 2:47, as to the world.

We are informed there was an Association in South Carolina by the name of Broad River Association. And there was an Association in Tenenssee by the name of Holston Association. Three churches from each of these two Associations organized a new Association in 1807 and called it by the name of the French Broad Association, which was constituted in the year 1807, and took its name from the French Broad River. This was the first Association organized in the Western part of North Carolina—French Broad Association.

About the year 1828, a division occurred in the French Broad Association and the new part formed themselves into a Free Will, or Liberty Association. It afterwards, though, changed to Big Ivy Association.

In the year 1829 another Association was organized out of the old mother French Broad Association and called the Tuckasiege Association.

(In the year 1830, the Baptist State Convention was organized in North Carolina.)

In the year 1838, another Association was organized, the Salem Association. It was organized at Blake's Meeting House, Salem Church, in Henderson County; total members in its organization, 396.

In the year 1839, another Association was organized. Valley River Association was organized under the name of Notley River Association, which it retained but one year.

In 1840 the Three Forks Association was organized out of the Mountain District Association.

In the year 1845, the Western Baptist Convention was organized as an auxiliary to the State Convention.

(In the year 1845, the Southern Baptist Convention was organized).

In the year 1848, another Association was organized—Union Association. It was organized out of the Salem Association.

In the year 1849, October 5th, ROAN MOUNTAIN ASSOCIATION was organized.

In the year 1855, the New Found Association, at New Found Church, was organized.

In the year 1861, the Friendship Association was organized.

In the year 1863, the Transylvania Association was organized in Transylvania County at the Little River Church.

In the year 1870, October, the Black Mountain Association was organized at Zion Church in Yancey County.

In the year 1877, Oct. 19th, the Carolina Association was organized at Double Spring Church in Henderson County. It had 6 churches taken from the Transylvania Association. Membership, 576.

It is very essential that Baptists read and re-read Baptist History, to baptize our minds afresh in our immortal principles, and to earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints. Though lovingly, with malice towards none and charity towards all; with faith in the right as God gives us to see the right; asking nothing for ourselves that we do not concede to all others; with loyalty to that truth as it is incorporated in the New Testament and with allegiance to Jesus Christ, our only Saviour and Lord.

The principles of Baptists commit them to a large program. The Whole Gospel for the whole world. We are under obligation to

match profession with practice. The only Christ that Baptists know is the Christ of the Gospels and He embraced the "world" in his plan of salvation. John 3:16. Our duty is to invite all to salvation. The Jordan River marked the beginning of Christ's ministry. The three busiest and most useful years ever lived on earth by any one followed Jesus' baptism by John in the river Jordan. They were three years crowded with praying, teaching and preaching, healing and saving. The first preacher in the New Testament was John the Baptist, preaching in the regions of the Jordan river, breaking the bushes of silence of around four hundred years, making a new path and calling attention to a new light, life, plan and way, and splashing the waters of Jordan.

Baptists have an honorable history. Their record is clean upon the separation of Church and State, they are renowned the world over for their loyalty. With Baptists two things are supremely worth while—religion and liberty. These are closely akin.

Baptist principles are founded upon God's Word—the New Testament. Their origin is scriptural and their doctrines are scriptural. Baptists are proud of their parentage—the New Testament and Jesus. Each Baptist is a volunteer, not a conscript among them. They believe, therefore they speak and act. Baptists are rooted and grounded in the New Testament. Jesus established those two most eloquent preachers, our two symbolic ordinances—water baptism and the Lord's Supper. We practice them.

In Hymnology—the world is indebted to the Baptists for many of the most popular hymns, such as, "My Country, 'Tis of Thee"; How Firm a Foundation; Shall We Gather At The River; He leadeth me; O Blessed Thought; I Need Thee Every Hour; Almost Persuaded; On Jordan's Stormy Banks; Blest Be the Tie That Binds; Bringing in the Sheaves; Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing; Come Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove; My Jesus, I Love Thee. God, in the Gospel of His Son; Go Preach the Blest Salvation; Holy Bible.

The Morning Light is Breaking; Safe in the Arms of Jesus; Coronation the hymn sung round the world, was written by Oliver Holden, a Baptist. These songs have charmed more griefs to rest than all the philosophy of earth.

Baptists are justly proud of their beginning—the New Testament. They have an ancient and Scriptural origin. Certain characters in history are named as founders of various denominations: The Disciples began with Alexander Campbell; the Methodists with John Wesley; the Presbyterians with John Calvin; the Lutherans with Martin Luther; the Church of England with Henry VIII. But there is no personality this side of Jesus Christ who is a satisfactory explanation of Misionary Baptist origin.

Misionary Baptists originated, not at the Reformation, nor in the Dark Ages, nor in any century after the Apostles, but with John the

Baptist as the first Missionary Baptist Preacher and Jesus Christ as the Head, and the first Missionary Baptist Church was the first Church in Jerusalem that Jesus established and our marching orders are the commission given by Jesus, our principles are as old as Christianity and the New Testament, and we acknowledge no founder but Christ. Baptists have always been champions of civil and religious liberty.

The First Misisonary Baptist Church in America was at Providence, in the state of Rhode Island, the first commonwealth on earth in which there was absolute civil and religious liberty. Rev. Roger Williams founded this first Baptist Church in America at Providence, Rhode Island.

The article on religious liberty in the American Constitution was introduced into it by the united efforts of Missionary Baptists in 1789.

William Carey, an English Baptist, was the father of modern missions. In thirty years he and his co-laborers made the Word of God accessible to a third of the people of the globe. The first president of Harvard College was Henry Dunster, a Baptist. The largest early benefactors of Harvard College were Thomas Hollis, a wealthy English Baptist, and his descendants. He founded the Hollis Chair of Theology, the first in the United States.

John Clarke, a pronounced Baptist of New England, did more than any one else to call the attention of the world to Puritan intolerance. He secured the Charter of 1643 which made Rhode Island a free democratic state with full provision for liberty of conscience, and he was the originator of the public free school system.

The man who snatched the Southwest from Mexico and handed back to the United States what is now Texas, part of New Mexico, Oklahoma, Kansas, Colorado, and Wyoming, was General Sam Houston, a loyal Baptist.

Bible societies were organized first by a Baptist, John Hughes. The International Uniform Sunday School Lesson System is due to a Baptist layman of Chicago, B. F. Jacobs. The first Sunday School paper for young people in the United States, "The Young Reaper," was established by Baptists.

The largest contribution of the New World to civilization was the principle of separation of church and state. Historians ascribe to the Baptists the chief credit for the establishment of this principle in the United States.

Brown University, the first college in the Middle States and in the front rank of American institution of learning, was founded by Baptists in 1764, and the charter requires that the president shall be a Baptist.

The first real college in America for the highest education of women—Vassar—was founded by Matthew Vassar, a Baptist.

The literature of the world has been enriched by Baptist writers: Daniel DeFoe, John Foster, the great essayist; John Howard, the philanthropist; John Milton, the great epic poet and statesman; John Bunyan, the immortal dreamer, whose "Pilgrim's Progress" stands next to the Bible in extent of its circulation, all were Baptists. Charles Haddon Spurgeon, confers on our denomination a grand distinction, a Baptist.

Those are just a few of the many, many noted and valuable Baptists, the rest include you and yours.

The only way Baptists can have unity is by following the teaching of the New Testament and observing the principles which guided the Baptist Churches of the apostolic period and on to us.

It is proper for an organization to set forth clearly what its members believe. It is just to themselves. They have a right to do what they can to be properly understood in their statement of the system of doctrines and principles upon which an organization is founded. "Be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you, with meekness and fear:" 1 Pet. 3-5.

Why become a Baptist? "If ye love me, keep my commandments." Jo. 14-15. The fundamental principle of the Baptists is their belief in the supreme authority and absolute sufficiency of the Holy Scriptures; and their separate existence is the practical and logical result of their attempt to apply this principle in all matter of religion. We have no right to alter any of the plain and positive teachings of the Scriptures.

With these reasons guiding them, Baptists, from time to time have published Declarations and Confessions. They have not been identical but have been in aproximate harmony with each other.

The Missionary Baptist State Convention of the State of New Hampshire on June 24, 1830, through a Special Selected Missionary Baptist Committee headed by Dr. J. Newton Brown, decided to put in print and so wrote the Missionary Baptist Confession of Faith or Declaration of Faith and from it they wrote only 16 Articles of Faith, of course, this Special Committee of Missionary Baptists had labored two or three years to get it into 16 articles of Faith and so submitted the 16 Articles of Faith. This Declaration of Faith in these 16 Articles of Faith was adopted by this New Hampshire Missionary Baptist Convention and has been adopted by more Missionary Baptist Churches than any other Declaration in the World.

It is not a creed to be binding, but a Declaration of 16 Articles of Faith of what we Missionary Baptists believe the Scriptures teach. Since the Scriptures only are binding upon Missionary Baptists.

The Scriptures furnish an adequate defense of our Missionary Baptist Doctrine. The use of the Scriptures for this purpose should

convince that our Doctrine, Faith, Beliefs, Principles and Practices are important and are scriptural.

Only 16 of our Articles of Faith were written and adopted on June 24, 1830 by the New Hampshire State Convention of Missionary Baptsts.

Then in 1853 these same 16 Articles of Faith contained in the New Hampshire Declaration of Faith was revised. This time also the Committee was headed by the same Dr. J. Newton Brown that acted as head and chairman of the Special Committee back in 1330 and now added two other Articles, one on "REPENTANCE AND FAITH" the other on "SANCTIFICATION", making the 18 Articles of Faith.

Then in 1924 the Southern Baptist Convention appointed a Special Committee consisting of E. Y. Mullins, Chairman; S. M. Brown; W. J. McGlothlin; E. C. Dargan; L. R .Scarborough to consider the advisability of issuing in print a statement of the "Baptist Faith and Message." This committee presented its report. It was read by Dr. E. Y. Mullins, President of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, at Louisville, Ky.

So the Southern Baptist Convention at Memphis, Tenn., adopted this important denominational Declaration of Faith revised at certain points and with some additional Articles growng out of present needs, making a total of 25 articles in our Missionary Baptist Declaration of Faith which we now have in the year 1943 as follows:

(These 25 Articles of the Baptist Faith which are most surely held among us are not intended to add anything to the simple conditions of salvation revealed in the New Testament, viz., repentance towards God and faith in Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord. Christianity is supernatural in its origin and history so is Salavtion.)

A DECLARATION OF THE 25 ARTICLES OF THE BAPTIST FAITH AND MESSAGE

1. The Scriptures

We believe that the Holy Bible was written by men divinely inspired, and is a perfect treasure of heavenly instruction; that it has God for its author, salvation for its end, and truth, without any mixture of error, for its matter; that it reveals the principles by which God will judge us; and therefore is, and will remain to the end of the world, the true center of Christian union, and the supreme standard by which all human conduct, creeds and religious opinions should be tried.

2. God

There is one and only one living God, an intelligent, spiritual, and personal Being, the Creator, Preserver, and Ruler of the universe, infinite in holiness and all other perfections, to whom we owe the highest love, reverence, and obedience. He is revealed to us as

Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, each with distinct personal atrributes, but without division of nature, essence, or being.

3. The Fall of Man

Man was created by the special act of God, as recorded in Genesis. "So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them." (Gen. 1:27). "And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul" (Gen. 2:7).

He was created in a state of holiness under the law of his Maker, but, through the temptation of Satan, he transgressed the command of God and fell from his original holiness and righteousness; whereby his posterity inherit a nature corrupt and in bondage to sin, are under condemnation, and as soon as they are capable of moral action, become actual transgressors.

4. The Way of Salvation

The salvation of sinners is wholly of grace, through the mediatorial office of the Son of God, who by the Holy Spirit was born of the Virgin Mary and took upon him our nature, yet without sin; honored the divine law by his personal obedience and made atonement for our sins by his death. Being risen from the dead, he is now enthroned in Heaven, and, uniting in his person the tenderest sympathies with divine perfections, he is in every way qualified to be a compassionate and all-sufficient Saviour.

5. Justification

Justification is God's gracious and full acquittal upon principles of righteousness of all sinners who believe in Christ. This blessing is bestowed, not in consideration of any works of righteousness which we have done, but through the redemption that is in and through Jesus Christ. It brings us into a state of most blessed peace and favor with God, and secures every other needed blessing.

6. The Freeness of Salvation

The blessings of salvation are made free to all by the gospel. It is the duty of all to accept them by penitent and obedient faith. Nothing prevents the salvation of the greatest sinner except his own voluntary refusal to accept Jesus Christ as teacher, Saviour and Lord.

7. Regeneration

Regeneration or the new birth is a change of heart wrought by the Holy Spirit, whereby we become partakers of the divine nature and a holy disposition is given, leading to the love and practice of righteousness. It is a work of God's free grace conditioned upon faith in Christ and made manifest by the fruit which we bring forth to the glory of God.

8. Repentance and Faith

We believe that repentance and faith are sacred duties and also inseparable graces, wrought in our souls by the regenerating Spirit of God; whereby being deeply convinced of our guilt, danger, and helplessness, and of the way of salvation by Christ, we turn to God with unfeigned contrition, confession ,and supplication for mercy; at the same time heartily receiving the Lord Jesus Christ as our Prophet, Priest, and King, and relying on him alone as the only and all-sufficient Saviour.

9. God's Purpose of Grace

Election is the gracious purpose of God, according to which he regenerates, sanctifies and saves sinners. It is perfectly consistent with the free agency of man, and comprehends all the means in connection with the end. It is a most glorious display of God's goodness, and is infinitely wise, holy, and unchangeable. It excludes boasting and promotes humility. It encourages the use of means in the highest degree.

10. Sanctification

Sanctification is the process by which the regenerate gradually attain to moral and spiritual perfection through the presence and power of the Holy Spirit dwelling in their hearts. It continues throughout the earthly life, and is accomplished by the use of all the ordinary means of grace, and particularly by the Word of God.

11. Perseverance

All real believers endure to the end. Their continuance in well-doing is the mark which distinguishes them from mere professors. A special Providence cares for them, and they are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation.

12. A Gospel Church

A church of Christ is a congregation of baptized believers, associated by covenant in the faith and fellowship of the gospel; observing the ordinances of Christ, governed by his laws, and exercising the gifts, rights, and privileges invested in them by his word, and seeking to extend the gospel to the ends of the earth. Its Scriptural officers are bishops, or elders and deacons.

13. Baptism and the Lord's Supper

Christian baptism is the immersion of a believer in water in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. The act is a symbol of our faith in a crucified, buried and risen Saviour. It is prerequisite to the privileges of a church relation and to the Lord's Supper, in which the members of the church, by the use of bread and wine, commemorate the dying love of Christ.

14. The Lord's Day

The first day of the week is the Lord's day. It is a Christian institution for regular observance. It commemorates the resurrection of

Christ from the dead and should be employed in exercises of worship and spiritual devotion, both public and private, and by refraining from worldly amusements, and resting from secular employments, works of necessity and mercy only excepted.

15. The Righteous and the Wicked

There is a radical and essential difference between the righteous and wicked. Those only who are justified through the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and sanctified by the Holy Spirit are truly righteous in his sight. Those who continue in impenitence and unbelief are in his sight wicked and are under condemnation. This dstinction between the righteous and the wicked holds in and after death, and will be made manifest at the judgment when final and everlasting awards are made to all men.

16. The Resurrection

The Scriptures clearly teach that Jesus rose from the dead. His grave was emptied of its contents. He appeared to the disciples after his resurrection in many convincing manifestations. He now exists in his glorious body at God's rght hand. There will be a resurrection of the righteous and the wicked. The bodies of the righteous will conform to the glorious spiritual body of Jesus.

17. The Return of the Lord

The New Testament teaches in many places the visible and personal reurn of Jesus to this earth. "This same Jesus which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven." The time of his coming is not revealed. "Of that day and hour knoweth no one, no, not the angels in heaven but my Father only" (Matt. 24:36). It is the duty of all believers to live in readiness for his coming and by diligence in good works to manifest to all men the reality and power of their hope in Christ.

18. Religious Liberty

God alone is Lord of the conscience, and he has left it free from the doctrines and commandments of men which are contrary to his Word or not contained in it. The state owes to the church protection and full freedom in the pursuit of its spiritual ends. In providing for such freedom no ecclesiastical group or denomination should be favvored by the state more than others. Civil government being ordained of God, it is the duty of Christians to render loyal obedience thereto in all things not contrary to the revealed will of God. The church should not resort to the civil power to carry on its work. The gospel of Christ contemplates spiritual means alone for the pursuit of its ends. The state has no right to impose penalties for religious opinions of any kind. The state has no right to impose taxes for the suport of any form of religion. A free church in a free state is the Christian ideal, and this implies the right of free and unhindered access to God on the part of all men, and the right to form

and propagate opinions in the sphere of religion without interference by the civil power.

19. Peace and War

It is the duty of Christians to seek peace with all men on principles of righteousness. In accordance with the spirit and teachings of Christ they should do all in their power to put an end to war.

The true remedy for the war spirit is the pure gospel of our Lord. The supreme need of the world is the acceptance of his teachings in all the affairs of men and nations, and the practical application of his law of love.

We urge Christian people throughout the world to pray for the reign of the Prince of Peace, and to oppose everything likely to provoke war.

20. Education

Christianity is the religion of enlightenment and intelligence. In Jesus Christ are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. All sound learnng is therefore a part of our Christian heritage. The new birth opens all human faculties and creates a thirst for knowledge. An adequate system of schools is necessary to a complete spiritual program for Christ's people. The cause of education in the Kingdom of Christ is coordinate with the causes of missions and general benevolence, and should receive along with these the liberal support of the churches.

21. Social Service

Every Christian is under obligation to seek to make the will of Christ regnant in his own life and in human society; to oppose in the spirit of Christ every form of greed, selfishness, and vice; to provide for the orphaned, the aged, the helpless, and the sick; to seek to bring industry, government, and society as a whole under the sway of the principles of righteousness, truth and brotherly love; to promote these ends Christians should be ready to work with all men of good will in any good cause, always being careful to act in the spirit of love without compromising their loyalty to Christ and his truth. All means and methods used in social service for the amelioration of society and the establishment of righteousness among men must finally depend on the regeneration of the individual by the saving grace of God in Christ Jesus.

22. Co-operation

Christ's people should, as occasion requires, organize such associations and conventions as may best secure co-operation for the great objects of the Kingdom of God. Such organizations have no authority over each other or over the churches They are voluntary and advisory bodies designed to elicit, combine, and direct the energies of our people in the most effective manner. Individual members of New Testament churches should cooperate with each other,

and the churches themselves should cooperate with each other in carrying forward the missionary, educational, and benevolent program for the extension of Christ's Kingdom. Christian unity in the New Testament sense is spiritual harmony and voluntary co-operation for common ends by various groups of Christ's people. It is permissable and desirable as between the various Christian denominations, when the end to be attained is itself justified, and when such co-operation involves no violation of conscience or compromise of loyalty to Christ and his Word as revealed in the New Testament.

23. Evangelism and Missions

It is the duty of every Christian man and woman, and the duty of every church of Christ to seek to extend the gospel to the ends of the earth. The new birth of man's spirit by God's Holy Spirit means the birth of love for others. Missionary effort on the part of all rests thus upon a spiritual necessity of the regenerate life. It is also expressly and repeatedly commanded in the teachings of Christ. It is the duty of every child of God to seek constantly to win the lost to Christ by personal effort and by all other methods sanctioned by the gospel of Christ.

24. Stewardship

God is the source of all blessings, temporal and spiritual; all that we have and are we owe to him. We have a spiritual debtorship to the whole world, a holy trusteeship in the gospel, and a binding stewardship in our possessions. We are therefore under obligation to serve him with our time, talents and material possessions; and should recognize all these as entrusted to us to use for the glory of God and helping others. Christians should cheerfully, regularly, systematically, proportionately, and liberally contribute of their means to advancing the Redeemer's cause on earth.

25. The Kingdom

The Kingdom of God is the reign of God in the heart and life of the individual in every human relationship, and in every form and institution of organized human society. The chief means of promoting the Kingdom of God on earth are preaching the gospel of Christ, and teaching the principles of righteousness contained therein. The Kingdom of God will be complete when every thought and will of man shall be brought into captivity to the will of Christ. And it is the duty of all Christ's people to pray and labor continually that his Kingdom may come and his will be done on earth as it is done in heaven.

CHURCH COVENANT

Having been led, as be believe, by the Spirit of God, to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Savior, and on the profession of our faith, having been baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, we do now, in the presence of God, angels and this assembly, most solemnly and joyfully enter into cov-

enant with one another, as one body in christ.

We engage, therefore, by the aid of the Holy Spirit, to walk together in Christian love; to strive for the advancement of this Church, in knowledge, holiness and comfort, to promote its prosperity and spiritually; to sustain its worship, ordinances, discipline and doctrines; to contribute cheerfully and regularly to the support of the ministry, the expenses of the Church, the relief of the poor, and the spread of the Gospel through all nations.

We also engage to maintain family and secret devotions; to religiously educate our children; to seek the salvation of our kindred and acquaintances; to walk circumspectly in the world; to be just in our dealings; faithful in our engagement and exemplary in our deportment, to avoid all tattling, back-biting and excessive anger, to abstain from the sale and use of intoxicating drinks as a beverage, and to be zealous in our efforts to advance the kingdom of our Savior.

We further engage to watch over one another in brotherly love; to remember each other in prayer; to aid each other in sickness and distress; to cultivate Christian sympathy in feeling, and courtesy in speech; to be slow to take offense, but always ready for reconciliation ,and mindful of the rules of our Savior to secure it without delay.

We moreover engage that when we remove from this place we will as soon as possible, unite with some other Church, where we can carry out the spirit of the covenant and the principles of God's Word.

Dear Brethren:

After much hard work, days of searching, sacrifice, time and expense, I have finished and herein given to you and yours the work assigned to me by the Mitchell County Missionary Baptist Association in the 1943 session. Herein is an exceeding amount of that part of the celebrated and much cherished, loved and desired, by both young and old, of the historic information of the Mitchell County Missionary Baptist Associations from the time it was first organized in 1849 to 1943, also much valuable information.

May "The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost, be with you all," both now and forever. 2 Cor. 13-14.

Respectfully submitted,

REVERAND FRANK PARSONS, *Historian.*

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MITCHELL COUNTY BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

The Mitchell Baptist Sunday School Convention met with Pine Branch Baptist Church on Friday, August 6, for the annual session. Program and Proceedings as follows:

Friday Morning

10:00 Song by Congregation

10:05 Devotional by D. N. Jones. In the absence of Bro. Jones, Morris Elliott conducted the devotional.

10:20 Rev. Frank Parsons elected Secretary to take the place of Brother Warren Pritchard who is now in the armed services. Recognition of Pastors, Ordained Ministers, S. S. Supts., Teachers, Secretaries and Visitors.

10:30 Roll Call of Churches. 14 Churches, 53 delegates were represented.

10:40 Appointment of Committees: C. B. Freeman, Will Turbyfill, Will Buchanan on Time, Place and Preacher; On Resolutions, Bro. Roy Campbell, Bro. Oyl Burleson, Miss Hellen McBee.

10:45 Discussion on "The Purpose of the S. S .Convention" by Roy Campbell.

11:00 Annual Sermon by D. Boyd Cannon.

12:00 Noon.

Friday Afternoon

1:00 Song by Fonzer Buchanan. A special favorite was sung and played by Bro. Fonzer Buchanan and dedicated to men in the service.

Special Prayer by Rev. J. H. Henline, for the service men.

1:05 Devotional, in the absence of Charles Carpenter, was conducted by Bro. Molton Buchanan.

1:30 Discussion by Willard Wilson. In his absence, Miss Ethel Young gave this discussion of "The Value of a V. B. S. to the S. S."

1:45 Discussion by C. A. Buchanan was called for.

2:00 Review of our County and State S. S. Work by Prof. R. B. Phillips. In his absence this discussion was given by Bruce Buchanan.

2:15 The S. S. Teachers responsibility by J. C. Brown. Report called for.

2:30 Discussion by all but led by J. H. Henline on "Some things we can do to improve our S. S."

2:45 Reports of the Comittees: On Time, Place and Preacher was that the next convention would be held at Cane Creek Baptist Church, Hawk, on Friday after the first Sunday in August, 1944. And Bro. C. A. Buchanan to preach the

annual sermon. Also report given on Resolutions.

3:00 Election of Officers:

Rev. J. Astor Buchanan _____ Superintendent
Rev. Charles Carpenter _____Assistant Superintendent
Rev. Frank Parsons _____Secretary

3:15 Adjournment by Prayer by Rev. Roy Campbell.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rev. J. Astor Buchanan, Supt., Rev. Frank Parsons, Sec'y.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MITCHELL COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATIONAL W. M. U. MEETING

The annual W. M. U. meeting was held with the First Church of Spruce Pine on June 30, 1943. Five churches having the organizations were represented. The theme for the entire program was "Christ Pre-eminent". **Morning Session**

Devotional, Mrs. T. W. Baucom. Greetings and Response.

Roll Call of Churches and Reports on various phases of Mission Work.

Address by Miss Bertha Smith a returned Missionary of China on the subject "Christ Exalted in All Kingdoms of the Earth." **Afternoon Session** Devotional, Miss Helen Shufford.

Discussion of the work of the young people.. Those taking part in this discussion were: Playlet by the Sun Beams of the First Baptist Church. Mrs. J. R. Morgan of Waynesville, N. C. Special Music by G. A. girls and R. A. Boys and Mrs. W. T. Baucom. **Election of Officers**

Superintendent _____ Mrs. N. G. Pittman, Spruce Pine
Associate Superintendent _____ Mrs. W. C. Berry, Bakersville
Young People's Leader _____ Miss Wilma Dale, Spruce Pine
Asso. Young People's Leader __Mrs. Floyd Duncan, Spruce Pine
Personal Service Chairman _____ Mrs. Ed. Willis, Spruce Pine
Stewardship Chairman _____ Mrs. Tom Rhyne, Inpro
Mission Study Chairman _____ Mrs. James G. Hall, Spruce Pine
Margaret Fund Chairman ____ Mrs. Bill McKinney, Spruce Pine
Training School Chairman ____ Mrs. Lloyd Bryson, Spruce Pine

It was decided that the next annual meeting would be held at Bakersville Church at the time set by Miss Mary Currin of Raleigh. Report of Hospitality Commtitee. Benediction.

Mrs. N. G. Pittman, Supt., Mrs. J. C. McBee, Secretary.

TABLE ONE — CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

CHURCHES	City, Town, Village Or Country?	When Constituted	PASTORS AND POST OFFICES	Days of Meeting	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP									Tot Present Members	Weekly Prayer Meetg.	Revivals Held, Year	Obs. Lords Supper	No. Rec. Bapt. Paper
					Mem. Last Year	GAINS: Baptisms	GAINS: Letters	GAINS: Statements	GAINS: Restorations	LOSSES: Letters	LOSSES: Exclusions	LOSSES: Erasures	LOSSES: Deaths					
Altapass	V	....	G. H. Glass, Minpro	2 4	74	7	4	...	...	...	...	...	1	84	...	1	1	...
Bad Creek	C	1932	Jim A Boling	4	64	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	64	...	2	1	...
Bakersville	T	....	Roy D. Campbell, Bakersville	All	182	4	1	...	...	6	...	1	1	179	...	...	4	2
Bear Creek	C	1830	J. H. Henline, Clarrissa	2 4	355	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	4	347	...	2	1	...
Beaver Creek	C	....	C. A. Buchanan, Toecane, R.1	1	107	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	114	...	1	...	...
Berry's Chapel	C	....	D. N. Jones, Heaton	1 3	169	7	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	179	*	1	1	...
Big Crabtree	C	1920	V. W. Greene, Pinola	2	81	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	79	...	1	1	...
Big Rock Creek	C	....	Floyd Ledford, Bakersville, Rt.	2	28	3	1	...	...	...	...	...	2	30	*	1	1	...
Black Mountain	C	1886	G. H Glass, Minpro	2 4	149	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	145	*	1	1	...
Cane Creek	C	1876	J. Astor Buchanan	2	211	13	3	...	...	1	...	...	1	225	...	1	1	...
Central Baptist S. P.	T	1932	W. T Baucom, Spruce Pine	All	142	3	2	...	...	7	...	...	...	140	*	1	4	36
Chestnut Grove	C	....	J. L. Street, Nebo, R.2	1	147	8	...	...	9	3	...	...	...	161	*	2	2	...
Cub Creek	C	....	Roy D. Campbell, Bakersville	2 4	187	12	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	198	...	1	1	...
First Baptist S. P.	T	1908	No Pastor at Present	All	281	4	2	...	...	9	...	...	2	276	*	1	2	6
Fork Mountain	C	1856	Floyd Ledford, Bakersville, R.1	1	186	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	187	...	1	1	...
Grassy Creek	C	....	W. F. McMahan, Marion	1 3	226	28	2	...	...	2	...	...	3	251	*	1	1	...
Liberty Hill	C	1866	J. C Brown, Cranberry	1 3	276	34	9	5	...	...	...	...	2	322	*	2	2	...
Little Rock Creek	C	....	Frank B. Hopkins, Bakersville, Rt.	All	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	128	...	1	...	...
Lily Branch	C	1860	Roy D. Campbell, Bakersville	3	214	20	...	...	...	4	...	...	2	228	*	1	2	...
Mine Creek	C	1849	C. A. Buchanan, Toecane	1 3	215	...	...	...	...	6	...	...	2	207	...	1	1	...
Mt. Carmel	C	1923	J. C. Brown, Cranberry	1 3	191	3	1	2	...	3	...	...	...	194	*	2	1	...
McKinney Cove	C	1888	No Pastor at Present	4	120	10	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	130	*	1	1	...
Pine Branch	C	....	J. H. Henline, Clarrissa	2 4	384	9	7	...	...	3	...	...	2	395	*	1	1	...
Rebels Creek	C	....	W. S. Woody, Spruce Pine	2	112	8	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	120	...	1	1	...
Roan Mtn	C	1923	J H. Henline, Clarrissa	3	317	2	2	...	...	7	...	...	4	311	...	1	1	...
Silver Chapel	C	....	Roy D. Campbell, Bakersville	1	188	27	8	...	...	3	...	...	...	220	...	2	1	...
Snow Hill	C	1915	C. A. Buchanan, Toecane	2 3	169	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	169	...	1	...	...
Spring Creek	C	....	No Report	....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Toecane	C	1916	J. H. Black, Windom	2 4	85	4	...	...	...	5	...	...	1	83	...	1	1	...
White Oak	C	1884	J. H. Henline, Clarrissa	1	140	15	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	159	...	1	...	...
TOTALS	..	....	....	....	...	230	...	...	...	...	...	...	31	5324	...	34	...	...

TABLE II — SUNDAY SCHOOLS

CHURCHES	SUPERINTENDENTS AND POST OFFICES	Cradle Roll, Under 3	Beginners, 3-5 Years	Primaries, 6-8 Years	Juniors, 9-12 Years	Intermediates, 13-16	Young People, 17-24	Adults, 25 and Up	Extension Dept.	Gen., Dept. Officers	Total Enr'm't, Of'cers, Teachers, Pupils	What Is Av. Attend.?	Baptisms from S. S.	Is the School Graded?	Teachers Holding Dip.	Enr. Vac. Bible School	Av. Att. Vac. School
Altapass	Deward Hefner, Altapass	...	...	5	6	8	...	12	...	6	35	35	...	...	...	...	...
Bad Creek	Mrs. Nora Garland, Bakersville, R.	...	5	12	...	10	...	13	...	6	46	30	...	...	...	...	...
Bakersville	W. C. Berry, Bakersville	19	12	16	24	20	6	54	...	3	154	74	...	*	...	45	41
Bear Creek	Jeff Willis, Toecane, Rt.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	260	172	...	...	...	...	...
Beaver Creek	C. B. Freeman, Spruce Pine	...	20	8	15	25	10	20	...	6	104	80	...	*	...	...	...
Berry's Chapel	Wm. Greene, Spruce Pine	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	169	100	...	...	...	...	...
Big Crabtree	W. M. Braswell, Estatoe	5	6	...	10	10	12	14	...	4	70	...	...	...	...	...	...
Big Rock Creek	Jerome Buchanan, Ewart	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	61	40	...	...	...	...	...
Black Mountain	C. G. Willis, Little Switzerland	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	66	66	...	...	...	85	60
Cane Creek	Dewey Buchanan, Hawk	...	16	...	16	...	32	26	...	...	90	90	...	...	...	62	45
Central Baptist S. P.	Geo. W. Greene, Spruce Pine	8	10	8	10	13	7	30	18	13	117	...	6	*	...	91	65
Chestnut Grove	Arnold McFalls, Little Switzerland	7	10	11	10	15	15	15	4	...	80	49	...	...	1	...	...
Cub Creek	Mrs. Maude Bennett, Toecane	16	12	10	20	27	30	35	...	3	158	75	...	...	...	...	...
First Baptist S. P.	Ed. W. Young, Spruce Pine	...	32	22	33	31	15	49	...	17	202	110	4	*	6	...	...
Fork Mountain	Park Whitson, Bakersville	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	87	53	...	...	...	100	...
Grassy Creek	Bill McKinney, Spruce Pine	3	26	21	49	46	48	47	...	11	251	176	28	*	...	...	...
Liberty Hill	Clifton Buchanan, Estatoe	26	...	16	26	30	63	23	23	23	207	170	...	*	...	...	...
Little Rock Creek	Mrs. J. J Blevins, Bakersville, Rt.	...	20	14	24	12	24	32	...	8	134	82	...	*	...	...	43
Lily Branch	F. O. Phillips, Wing	...	18	...	10	25	38	30	...	11	132	69	...	...	...	...	...
Mine Creek	John Parsons, Toecane	10	19	12	25	23	50	40	...	2	181	81	...	...	...	...	...
Mt. Carmel	Waits Pitman, Spruce Pine	5	15	15	30	...	35	35	...	10	145	110	...	...	...	...	...
McKinney Cove	Jim McKinney, Bakersville	...	...	...	31	...	35	35	...	...	101	57	...	...	...	...	...
Pine Branch	Claude Duncan, Minpro	...	12	10	27	42	43	39	...	13	189	148	...	...	...	...	...
Rebels Creek	Clarence Willis, Boonford	...	...	20	10	12	24	13	...	8	87	70	...	...	...	...	...
Roan Mtn.	Frank B. Young, Bakersville, Rt.	...	23	10	25	20	26	92	...	9	205	100	...	...	...	...	...
Silver Chapel	Clyde Robinson, Bandana	...	...	25	30	...	30	100	...	10	195	...	...	...	...	...	...
Snow Hill	S. M. Johnson, Toecane, Rt.	...	10	15	15	12	15	50	...	7	124	100	...	...	...	...	...
Spring Creek	No Report	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Toecane	T. T. Johnson, Toecane	...	7	8	13	12	9	26	...	12	90	40	...	...	...	...	...
White Oak	W. J Henline, Toecane, Rt.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8	90	60	...	...	...	...	...
TOTALS	....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3830	...	...	...	...	...	...

TABLE THREE — BAPTIST TRAINING UNION

CHURCHES	TRAINING UNION DIRECTORS AND POST OFFICES	Adult Unions	Young Peop. Unions	Intermediate Unions	Junior Unions	Story Hours	Tot. Unions, St. Hrs.	Adults Enrolled	Young Peop. Enrolled	Intermediates Enroll'd	Juniors Enrolled	Story Hours Enrolled	Tot. En., Un., St. Hrs.	Daily Bible Readers	No. Tak. Study Course	Tot. Systematic Givers	Students in College	No. Gen., Dept. Officers
Altapass	Deward Hefner, Altapass	...	...	1	1	...	2	...	...	21	23	...	44	44	...	24	...	11
Bakersville	Mrs. G. D. Wilson, Bakersville	...	1	1	...	1	3	...	25	15	...	10	50	...	30	...	10	2
Cane Creek	Bruce C. Buchanan, Clarrissa	...	1	1	...	...	2	...	25	12	...	...	37	...	...	...	1	...
Central Baptist S. P.	Marry Arrowood, Spruce Pine	...	1	1	1	...	3	...	14	20	10	...	44	22	22	29	4	3
1st Baptist S. Pine	G. E. Ross, Spruce Pine	1	1	2	2	2	8	10	9	6	10	10	45	31	27	28	...	13
Grassy Creek	Wilma Dale, Spruce Pine	1	1	1	1	...	4	6	12	25	12	...	55	15	36	...	4	16
Liberty Hill	B. G. Thomas, Spruce Pine	...	1	...	1	...	2	...	16	...	18	...	34	34	...	34	...	7
Lily Branch	Morris Elliott, Toecane, Rt	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	20	...	...	20	...	...	...	2	...
Toecane	Iris Johnson, Toecane	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	15	...	...	...	15	...	...	...	...	...
TOTALS	....	2	7	8	6	3	26	16	116	119	73	20	344	146	115	115	21	52

TABLE FOUR — W. M. U. ORGANIZATIONS AND GIFTS

CHURCHES	PRESIDENTS OF W. M. S. AND POST OFFICES	Number of W. M. S.	Number of Y. W. A.'s	Number of G. A.'s	Number of R. A.'s	Number of Sunbeams	Total W. M. U. Orgs.	W. M. S. Members	Y. W. A.'s Members	G. A.'s Members	R. A.'s Members	Sunbeam Members	Total Mem. Enrolled	Tot. En. Miss. St. Crse	Contributions (Local Work) by W. M. U.	Contributions (Missions) by W. M. U.
Bakersville	Mrs. W. C. Berry, Bakersville	1	...	1	...	1	3	7	...	...	...	...	7	5	.....	100.01
Central Bapt. Sp. Pine	Mrs. R. P. Stroup, Spruce Pine	1	...	...	1	...	2	28	...	...	7	...	35	6	848.99	337.28
First Baptist, Sp. Pine	Mrs. N. G. Pitman, Spruce Pine	5	2	3	1	2	13	12	2	15	10	20	59	26	.....	213.42
Grassy Creek	Mrs James G. Hall, Spruce Pine	1	...	...	...	1	2	15	...	...	...	20	35	10	.....	128.90
Pine Branch	Mrs. Thomas Rhyn, Minpro	1	...	...	...	...	1	12	...	...	...	...	12	...	6.00	15.00
TOTALS	....	9	2	4	2	4	21	74	2	15	17	40	148	47	854.99	794.61

TABLE FIVE—CHURCH PROPERTY

CHURCHES	CHURCH CLERKS AND POST OFFICES	Own House Worship?	When Was It Built?	What Materials Used?	How Many Seated?	Number of Rooms	Dept. Assembly Rms.	No. Sep. Class Rooms	Value Church House and Grounds	Total Value All Church Property	Indebtedness on All Church Property	Amount of Insurance Carried
Altapass	R. L. Hefner, Altapass	Yes	1925	Wood	300	1	...	...	1200	1200	.....	....
Bad Creek	Mrs. Nora Garland, Bakersville	Yes	1939	Wood	...	1	...	...	85	85	.....	....
Bakersville	Mrs. J. C. McBee, Bakersville	Yes	1927	Brick	500	12	1	11	10000	10000	.....	7000
Bear Creek	Homer P. Buchanan, Toecane	Yes	1926	Wood	400	3	2	2	9500	9500	.....	3000
Beaver Creek	Mrs. Grace Burleson, Spruce Pine	Yes	1916	Wood	350	1	...	...	2000	2000	.....	....
Berry's Chapel	Lizzie Woody, Spruce Pine, R.1	Yes	1934	Wood	300	1	...	...	2000	2000	.....	2000
Big Crabtree	C. A. Ledford, Eslatoe	Yes	1927	Wood	400	1	...	6	1500	1500	.....	....
Big Rock Creek	Ed Gouge, Bakersville, R.1	Yes	1938	Wood	125	1	...	...	1000	1000	.....	....
Black Mountain	Reid Queen, Little Switzerland	Yes	1886	Wood	...	...	...	...	1500	1500	.....	....
Cane Creek	Bruce C. Buchanan, Clarrissa	Yes	1906	Wood	500	1	...	...	1000	1000	.....	....
Central Baptist S. P.	R. B. Sparks, Spruce Pine	Yes	1932	Stone	300	10	2	8	9000	9000	336.00	2000
Chestnut Grove	Nellie Waycaster, Little Switzerland	Yes	1923	Wood	225	...	...	7	1500	1500	.....	....
Cub Creek	C. L. Hoilman, Bakersville	Yes	1939	Brick	400	12	1	11	8530	8530	56.50	....
First Baptist S. P.	Ed W. Young, Spruce Pine	Yes	1939	Stone	500	4	7	14	26000	26000	.....	....
Fork Mountain	D. M. Cook, Bakersville	Yes	1903	Wood	200	...	...	...	1000	1000	.....	....
Grassy Creek	Edith Collis, Spruce Pine	Yes	1928	Brick	500	8	8	10	12886	12886	.....	....
Liberty Hill	J. C. Hoyle, Estatoe	Yes	1926	Brick	500	1	1	...	10000	10000	.....	....
Little Rock Creek	Mrs. J. J Blevins, Bakersville	Yes	....	Wood	300	1	...	...	2000	2000	.....	....
Lily Branch	Zella Murdock, Toecane	Yes	1939	Stone	450	...	...	8	11000	11000	.....	....
Mine Creek	Belle Greene, Toecane	Yes	1928	Wood	300	1	...	...	3000	3000	.....	....
Mt. Carmel	Elma Pitman, Spruce Pine	Yes	1923	Wood	300	1	...	...	1000	1000	.....	....
McKinney Cove	W. A. McKinney, Bakersville	Yes	1910	Wood	250	1	1	1	2000	2000	.....	....
Pine Branch	Thomas Rhyne, Minpro	Yes	1923	Wood	350	1	...	...	3000	3000	.....	2000
Rebels Creek	Mrs. Fred Jarrett, Boonford	Yes	1940	Wood	200	1	...	...	1700	1700	.....	....
Roan Mtn	Clarence Johnson, Bakersville	Yes	....	Wood	600	5	4	4	4000	4000	.....	....
Silver Chapel	Mrs. Beulah Hensley, Bandana	Yes	....	Wood	300	1	...	...	3500	3500	.....	....
Snow Hill	S. J. Blalock, Toecane	Yes	1915	Wood	500	1	1	...	3000	3000	.....	....
Spring Creek	No Report	Yes	....	Wood	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	....
Toecane	Bob Johnson	Yes	1916	Wood	400	1	...	...	1400	1400	.....	....
White Oak	A. B. Wilson, Toecane	Yes	1939	Wood	250	1	...	...	3000	3000	.....	2000
TOTALS	....	...	....	.....	...	...	...	...	137301	137301	392.50	....

TABLE VI — GIFTS FOR LOCAL CHURCH WORK

CHURCHES	REGULAR TREASURERS AND POST OFFICES	Pastor's Salary Paid This Year	Other Salaries	Ministerial Help and Supply	Building and Repairs Spent This Year	Church Debt and Interest	Incidentals	Literature for Church Use, S. S., etc.	Help Given to Local Poor	For Printing Minutes and Clerk of Assn.	Other Objects	Total, Local Purposes, Given by Church and All Its Organizations	Pledged to Cooperative Program
Altapass	H. A. Hefner, Altapass	275.06	50.00	.....	.....	.....	32.00	.....	.....	2.00	.....	359.06	.....
Bad Creek	Monroe Yelton, Bakersville	73.00	2.00	6.00	.....	.....	1.00	11.08	.....	.30	3.00	96.38	.....
Bakersville	E H. Poteat, Bakersville	1065.00	.....	.....	.....	389.25	192.25	72.17	.....	5.00	31.85	1755.52	200.00
Bear Creek	Jessie C. Buchanan, Toecane	317.46	32.30	22.23	160.92	.....	83.92	96.74	134.99	5.00	348.84	1197.40	.....
Beaver Creek	C. B. Freeman, Spruce Pine	200.32	.....	38.98	.....	.....	38.31	44.40	47.50	2.03	10.39	381.93	.....
Berry's Chapel	Brown Buchanan, Spruce Pine	360.00	.....	273.74	131.84	.....	114.83	46.67	58.45	2.00	.....	985.33	.....
Big Crabtree	Joe Gurley, Boonford	57.40	.....	22.50	.....	.....	7.00	.....	.....	1.75	.....	88.65	.....
Big Rock Creek	Blanch Bennett, Ewart	118.62	.....	25.00	12.00	.....	15.50	16.00	25.00	2.00	.....	214.12	.....
Black Mountain	Reid Queen, Little Switzerland	474.53	.....	122.35	.....	.....	29.07	24.27	30.00	3.00	5.50	689.72	.....
Cane Creek	Rachel Dellinger, Hawk	328.79	.....	90.05	.....	.....	83.95	61.34	25.09	5.00	10.00	614.22	.....
Central Baptist S. P	C. E. Buchanan, Spruce Pine	1964.00	.....	75.00	87.48	1335.50	89.25	90.25	.....	7.50	150.90	3799.88	.....
Chestnut Grove	Fred Self, Little Switzerland	269.39	.....	27.61	27.35	.....	11.50	29.04	48.40	2.00	.....	415.39	.....
Cub Creek	C. L. Hoilman, Bakersville	246.25	.....	158.34	.....	343.50	78.00	48.88	.....	3.00	28.00	905.97	.....
First Baptist S. P	Arl Burleson, Spruce Pine	1644.20	.....	.....	1084.53	650.00	259.01	162.19	.....	6.00	36.79	3842.72	600.00
Fork Mountain	D. M. Cook, Bakersville	113.60	.....	33.00	.....	.....	36.00	20.00	27.60	2.00	10.50	242.70	25.00
Grassy Creek	T. W. Dale, Spruce Pine	600.00	.....	148.00	.....	.....	105.93	111.04	.....	3.00	43.80	1011.77	.....
Liberty Hill	B. G Thomas, Spruce Pine	375.55	.....	119.20	1479.49	85.96	130.82	85.96	.....	4.00	.....	2280.98	.....
Little Rock Creek	Mrs. J. J. Blevins, Bakersville	342.00	.....	153.43	2.71	.....	62.30	75.14	.....	2.00	.....	637.58	.....
Lily Branch	Jobe Murdock, Toecane	175.35	.....	83.28	44.40	.....	111.75	49.75	33.50	2.00	.....	500.03	.....
Mine Creek	Mrs. Landon Davis, Toecane	420.80	.....	145.00	.....	.....	45.75	44.00	24.49	2.00	10.00	692.04	.....
Mt. Carmel	W. L. Freeman, Spruce Pine	417.00	.....	148.99	375.00	.....	59.30	41.17	.....	3.00	.....	974.46	25.00
McKinney Cove	W. A. McKinney	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	80.96	33.00	11.88	2.00	153.51	281.35	.....
Pine Branch	Joe Young, Minpro	420.00	.....	180.53	136.73	.....	207.77	133.00	60.07	5.00	.....	1143.10	.....
Rebels Creek	Fred Jarrett, Boonford	181.22	.....	78.12	.....	.....	88.95	29.21	.....	2.00	.....	379.50	.....
Roan Mtn	Mrs. Mabel T. Young, Clarrissa	277.58	.....	26.36	1820.65	.....	68.45	68.40	7.87	4.25	184.67	2458.23	.....
Silver Chapel	Mrs. Retta Gibson, Bandana	259.47	325.00	.....	.....	.....	101.40	50.59	24.13	2.00	25.13	787.72	.....
Snow Hill	Nora Tipton, Toecane	284.86	.....	25.11	.....	.....	24.09	39.26	9.25	3.00	5.00	90.57	.....
Spring Creek	No Report	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Toecane	R S. Johnson, Toecane	352.92	25.30	76.56	.....	.....	54.42	36.10	.....	3.00	5.00	553.30	.....
White Oak	W. C. Wilson, Toecane	127.91	.....	.....	.....	.....	135.79	.....	.....	2.00	.....	265.70	.....
TOTALS	....	11672.28	434.60	2079.38	5363.10	2804.21	2349.27	1519.65	568.22	87.83	1062.88	27945.22	.....

TABLE VII — GIFTS FOR MISSIONS, EDUCATION AND ALL BENEVOLENCES

CHURCHES	Total to Cooperative Program	Special to Associational Missions	Special to State Missions	Special to Home Missions	Special to Foreign Missions	Special to Schools and Colleges	Special to Orphanage	Special to Hospitals	Special to Old Ministers' Relief	Hundred Thousand Club	Other Objects	Total to Missions and Benevolences by the Church and all Depts.	Total, All Purposes, Given by Church and All Its Organizations
Altapass	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.00	10.00	.....	.....	.....	15.00	374.06
Bad Creek	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10.00	2.10	.....	.....	.....	12.10	108.48
Bakersville	30.55	.....	59.35	30.00	17.69	10.00	128.73	24.23	.....	17.00	.....	317.55	2073.07
Bear Creek	22.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	155.44	20.45	.....	.....	.....	198.39	1395.79
Beaver Creek	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9.65	.....	.....	.....	.....	9.65	391.58
Berry's Chapel	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	26.55	.....	.....	.....	.....	26.55	1011.88
Big Crabtree	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	88.65
Big Rock Creek	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	214.12
Black Mountain	.....	.....	14.86	.....	.....	.....	98.19	50.25	.....	.....	.....	148.44	838.16
Cane Creek	.....	.....	32.00	.....	14.87	50.00	24.03	19.58	.....	.....	3.15	61.62	675.84
Central Baptist S. P.	446.85	20.10	.....	.....	.....	.....	82.00	50.67	99.84	94.75	12.00	903.08	4702.96
Chestnut Grove	10.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20.00	.....	.....	.....	30.00	445.29
Cub Creek	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	905.97
First Baptist S. P.	561.90	.....	.....	.....	4.83	.....	84.30	55.50	.....	26.92	.....	733.45	4576.17
Fork Mountain	.....	.....	.....	.....	4.00	.....	25.00	10.00	.....	.....	.....	39.00	281.70
Grassy Creek	25.00	.....	9.00	55.90	30.00	10.00	50.00	25.00	.....	23.00	.....	227.90	1239.67
Liberty Hill	75.25	.....	.....	41.94	.....	.....	190.96	41.81	.....	.....	.....	349.96	2630.94
Little Rock Creek	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20.00	.....	60.67	80.67	718.25
Lily Branch	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15.42	32.73	.....	.....	.....	48.15	548.18
Mine Creek	9.25	.....	12.16	.....	.....	.....	12.48	2.16	.....	.....	.....	35.05	727.09
Mt. Carmel	17.00	.....	.....	33.18	.....	.....	11.49	5.00	.....	.....	.....	66.67	1041.13
McKinney Cove	.....	.....	16.70	.....	.....	.....	81.95	20.00	.....	.....	.....	118.65	400.00
Pine Branch	12.34	.....	.....	.....	16.12	.....	279.11	37.10	.....	.....	.....	344.67	1487.77
Rebels Creek	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	73.84	.....	.....	.....	.....	73.84	453.34
Roan Mtn	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	84.15	15.00	.....	.....	.....	99.15	2557.38
Silver Chapel	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	35.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	35.00	822.72
Snow Hill	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11.31	.....	.....	15.95	27.26	417.83
Spring Creek	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Toecane	.....	.....	7.40	5.61	.....	1.00	41.52	20.12	.....	1.10	.....	76.75	630.05
White Oak	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	18.34	8.43	.....	.....	.....	26.77	292.47
TOTALS	1210.64	20.10	151.47	166.63	87.51	71.00	1543.15	481.44	119.84	162.77	95.77	4105.32	32050.54

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REV. J. H. HENLINE
Moderator of Mitchell County Baptist Association

This is the 11th year our dearly beloved Brother andd Moderator has presided over the Mitchell County Baptist Association as Moderator. Only eternity in the Heavenly Home can be trusted to reveal the spiritual value of such services of himself and of that sweet and trusted companion of his whose services have blended to lead many lost souls to higher spiritual visions of life and the Heavenly Home. They are loved and admired. He is a fine business man, a Christian Gentleman, an interpreter of fundamental truths, a servant of righteousness, a wonderful moderator and Revivalist, a fine Pastor, and an excellent Preacher of the everlasting Gospel of the Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. He is still going strong and may his future years also be continual progress and advancement with the blessings of God forevermore.

"Ye must be born again." John 3:7.

Compiled and Edited by

REV. FRANK PARSONS
Clerk, Treasurer and Historian
Toecane, North Carolina

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life" John 3:16.

Minutes Of The

Mitchell County Missionary Baptist Association

Held With The

First Baptist Church

Spruce Pine, N. C.

Thursday, August 31, 1944

96th Annual Session

Rev. J. H. Henline ---------- Moderator
Rev. Roy D. Campbell ---------- Vice-Moderator
Rev. Frank Parsons ---------- Clerk-Treasurer

Next Annual Session to be held with the Liberty Hill Baptist Church on August 30th and 31st, 1945. Rev. G. H. Glass to preach the Annual Associational Sermon, with Rev. J. C. Brown, Alternate.

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Mrs. J. C. McBee, Sec and Treas. ---------- Bakersville

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Church ---------- Rev. J. C. Brown

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Theo Letterman ---------- Srpuce Pine
Ed Lowery ---------- Altapass
Clifford McGee ---------- Estatoe
Vester McKinney ---------- Little Switzerland
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A. F. Sparks ---------- Toecane
J. Y. Sparks ---------- Toecane
David Sullins ---------- Altapass
Park Whitson ---------- Bakersville
Charlie Woody ---------- Spruce Pine

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MESSENGERS LISTED ON 1944 CHURCH LETTERS

ALTAPASS—Deward Hefner, S. A. Pitman, Mildred Hall.

BAD CREEK—Earl Burleson, Glen Garland, Monroe Yelton, Will Garland.

BAKERSVILLE—Mrs. W. C. Berry, Mrs. G. M. Baker, Mrs. J. C. McBee, Helen McBee.

BEAR CREEK—Adam Buchanan, Merit Sparks, Walter Buchanan, Don't Willis.

BEAVER CREEK—Mrs. Grace Burleson,Mrs. Effie Freeman, Mrs. Iva Gunter, Mrs. Rosa Hise.

BERRY'S CHAPEL—Bob Buchanan, Lane Buchanan, Steve Biddix, Wm. Green, Luther Hall, Bob Biddix, Myra Buchanan.

BIG CRABTREE—C. A. Ledford, W. B. Edwards, Wash Gurley.

BIG ROCK CREEK—Mrs. Etta Masters, Myrtle Gouge, Pansy

Gouge, Mrs. Loy Mosley, Alma H. Whitson, T. C. Greene, Edd Gouge, Jerome Buchanan.

BLACK MOUNTAIN—L. B. Ballew, S. D. McKinney, Lawrence Buchanan, C. G. Willis, Reid Queen, Sam Glenn, Mrs. C. G. Willis, Elma B. Willis, Mrs. Jess McKinney.

CANE CREEK—Wyatt Woody, Will Stamey, Bert Metcalf, Grovie Ledford, Ralph Greene.

CENTRAL BAPTIST—Esley Buchanan, Mrs. Esley Buchanan, Mrs. Bell Parker, R. B. Sparks, Mrs. Ed Willis.

CHESTNUT GROVE—Vera McKinney, Fred Self, Plato Burnett, Athen Hollifield, Briscoe McKinney.

CUB CREEK—Mrs. Roy D. Campbell, Mrs. C. L. Hoilman, Miss Maude Parker, C. L. Hoilman.

FIRST BAPTIST—R. B Phillips, E. F. Watson, Ed. W. Young, Joe Young, Mrs. W. M. McKinney, Mrs. Mildred Bryson, Zora Pegg.

FORK MOUNTAIN—T. C. Cook, Floyde Ledford, Park Whitson, Frank McKinney, Milton Hughes, Darvin Hobson, Ed Harroll, J. M. Gouge.

GRASSY CREEK—Charlie Dale, Bill McKinney, Mrs. Tull Dale, Mrs. James Hall, T. W. Dale, Mrs. Fred Glenn, Mrs. Clyde Pritchard.

KONA—Wm. C. Silver, Alphens H. Thomas, Savannah Thomas, Geneva Silver, Gordon Silver, Clayton Thomas, Philip Hightower.

LIBERTY HILL—Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hoyle, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Huskin, Mr. and Mrs. Tyson Buchanan, Clifford McGee, Mrs. J. G. Buchanan, Mrs. Merry Cox, Mrs. Flow McKinney.

LILY BRANCH—F. O. Phillips, L. B. Greene, H. B. Ringer, Mrs. J. R. Murdock, Walter Greene, Zella Murdock.

LITTLE ROCK CREEK—G. D. Burleson, C. H. Ward, W. O. Gouge, Jay Hobson.

MINE CREEK—John Parsons, Arnold Gage, Bob Greene, J. V. Johnson, Delia Greene, Belle Greene, Ethel Greene, Augusta Johnson.

McKINNEY COVE—W. A. McKinney, Willard Wilson, Jim McKinney, Charlie Ayers.

MT. CARMEL—Nelson Henline, Chesley Thomas, Charles Freeman, Wash Stafford, Larkin Freeman, Waits Pitman, Cale Pitman.

PINE BRANCH—B. M. Brown, Add Pitman, C. Z. Sparks, Lena Bell Stafford, Louis Wilson, Rube Sparks, Kate Pitman.

REBELS CREEK—Oscar Murdock, Dan Jarrett, Herbert Howell, Mrs. Hubert Willis, Mrs. F. G. Jarrett.

ROAN MOUNTAIN—Clarence Johnson, A. Green, M. A. Wilson, Frank B. Young, Tarp Turbyfill, Rafe Johnson, Mallie Wilson, [illegible] Wilson, Leiter Slagle, G. K. Wilson.

SILVER CHAPEL—Mrs. Vestine Jarrett, Mrs. Clarence Hensley, Mrs. Lola Gouge, Mrs. Retta Gibson, Clarence Hensley, Ralph Jarrett.

SNOW HILL—W. D. Wilson, J. A. Wilson, S. J. Blalock, Charlie Turbyfill, Mrs. Stokes Wilson, Mrs. S. J. Blalock, Mrs. W. D. Wilson.

TOECANE—Mr. and Mrs. Homer Johnson, Mr .and Mrs. Decoster Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Johnson, Mr. .and Mrs. George McKinney, Mrs. Nan Johnson, J. Fred Rudd, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Johnson, Mrs. Hattie Parsons.

WHITE OAK—Jas. Henline, J. D. Byrd, Edith Sullins, Gladys Rathbone, Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Buchanan, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Henline.

PROGRAM AND PROCEEDINGS

Of The Ninety-Sixth Annual Session Of The

MITCHELL COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Held With The

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF SPRUCE PINE

On Thursday, August 31st, 1944

Morning Session

Promptly at 10:00 o'clock, A. M., in the First Baptist Church, Spruce Pine, on Thursday, August 31, 1944, Rev. J. H. Henline, Moderator called the ninety-sixth annual session of the Mitchell County Baptist Association to order and selected the song and lead the assembled delegates in the singing of "Blessed Assurance". Mrs. W. T. Baucom accompanied at the piano.

Worship—Rev. W. F. McMahan delivered the devotional message, taken from the 5th chapter of John and brought an interesting message to the church.

The Program was read by the Moderator and adopted by the Associational Body.

Roll Call of Associational Officers, Executive Committee, Pastors of Churches, New Pastors, New Ordained Ministers, Churches and Messengers from the 30 Churches.

Practically every church had messengers present. 29 of the 30 churches had their letter there. 16 pastors were present. 29 Deacons, 4 new Pastors were present, namely, Frank Parsons, Bruce Buchanan, Philip Hightower, Roy D. Keller. And a large number of visitors and messengers attended this session. One delegate from each church was called upon to give a report by voice of how his Church was getting along. This was with active interest and real zeal in the welfare of their Pastor and church.

Recognition of visitors including the state and local and sister associations, among these were the following: Rev. P. L. McMahan, of Buncombe Association, R. H. Satterfield of Raleigh for Meredith College, Smith Hagaman, Superintendent of N. C. Baptist Hospitals, M. H. Kendall of Mars Hill College, Ike G.

Greer, General Superintendent of Mills Home Orphanage and Kennedy Home Orphanage branch. Rev. J. C. Pipes, General Missionary for North Carolina, Miss Ruth Keller, Field Worker for W. M. U. from Raleigh. Each of these speakers represented their departments well. An extra fine, co-operative spirit was shown by the Churches in this session.

Periodicals Report—by Mr. Reid Queen was called for.

Christian Literature Report—by Rev. J. H. Black was called for.

Song by the Congregation.

Special Prayer was made at this time, led by M. H. Kendall of Mars Hill, in the interest of our Nation at war and the men and women in the U. S. Armed Services.

W. M. U. Report was called for at this time. Miss Ruth Keller of Raleigh a General Field Worker for the Woman's Missionary Union was recognized at this time. She brought a wonderful account of the W. M. U. work and interest and presented to us the challenge of furthering this needed missionary work.

Following her, Mrs. N. G. Pitman extended her greetings to the Association and presented the W. M. U. report.

W. M. U. REPORT

The world is desperately in need of Christ's Gospel. "Look on the fields," said Jesus, and pray to the Father, in our season of prayer. His witnesses (you and I) look on the fields and pray, and give that the people of the earth may have the gospel. The purpose of the three weeks of prayer is to promote the Missionary Program of Christ at home and abroad.

The New Testatment Church was called into being for no other plan or purpose than to carry the Gospel to the lost world.

Therefore be it resolved that every Baptist Church may seek to understand the meaning of the word "Mission", until a never ending gospel will sweep the continent and bring every soul face to face with his condition and the Lord before him as Saviour.

The task of every Baptist Church should be a missionary task.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. N. G. Pittman.

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PROCEEDINGS OF MITCHELL COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATIONAL W. M. U. MEETING

The Annual W. M. U. Meeting was held with Bakersville Baptist Church on May 26th, 1944. Four Churches having organizations were represented. The theme for the entire program was "Face today—Plan for Tomorrow."

Devotional, Miss Helen McBee and Mrs. Lloyd Bryson. Prayer by Rev. Roy Campbell. Greetings and Response.

Roll Call of Churches; Discussion of All Mission Work, by Miss Mary Currin of Raleigh, N. C.

Address: Today and Tomorrow in Missions, Miss Ola Lea, returned Missionary from China. Lunch.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Devotional ..... Miss Wilma Dale
Prayer ..... Rev. T. W. Baucom
Conference, How to Teach Missions ..... Miss Mary Currin
Talk on R. A. Work ..... Rev. Roy D. Keller

Election of Officers: Supt., Mrs. N. G. Pittman, Spruce Pine; Associate Supt., Mrs. W. C. Berry, Bakersville; Young People's Leader, Miss Wilma Dale, Spruce Pine; Stewardship Chairman, Mrs. Tom Rhyne, Minpro; Margaret Fund Chairman, Mrs. Bill McKinney, Spruce Pine.

It was decided that the next Annual Session would be held with Pine Branch Baptist Church at the time set by Miss Mary Currin.

Report of Hospitality Committee.

Benediction.

Mrs. N. G. Pittman, Superintendent,
Mrs. J. C. McBee, Secretary. .

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Stweardship Report by Rev. W. T. Baucom was called for, read and adopted by the body.

REPORT ON STEWARDSHIP

God's greatest gift to mankind is the gospel, or full and free Salvation through the merits of the Lord Jesus, given to believers simply through faith in him. This gospel is for all mankind. Therefore, every believer should become a channel through which this gospel is passed on to others. Thus it becomes evident that the primary, central, most vital stewardship of all God's Stewards is his gospel, the most glorious possession committed to them.

All of God's stewards are accorded the high privilege and opportunity of freely exercising this stewardship of the gospel, and are

held responsible, by the Lord himself, for this stewardship and finally must give an account of this stewardship to their Master. We are convinced that every believer should gladly accept this stewardship because of the poverty and need of a lost world, because of the joy, uplift and enrichment it would mean to his own life, and, finally because of the unity and beautiful fellowship such stewardship makes possible between the steward and his Master, our Father in Heaven.

Your committee urges every believer to accept and practice this full stewardship of the gospel of Christ Jesus, or Lord.

Respectfully submitted,

W. T. Baucom.

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Appointment of Committees was made at this time as follows:

A. **Committee on Time, Place and Preacher** for the 1945 Association: Clarence Johnson, J. C. Brown, Reid Queen.

B. **Committee on Resolutions:** Roy Campbell, Astor Buchanan.

C. **Committee on Collection of Orphanage Produce:** W. M. Turbyfill, Deward Hefner, Adam Pitman.

Welcome and Announcements were made at this time by the Pastor, Rev. Roy D. Keller, to all the audience. He spoke for the church in extending to every one a most cordial welcome to remain and have dinner with them down in the first story of the new Church building. And the audience accepted the invitation.

Song by the Congregation at this time.

Special Prayer led by Rev. J. C. .Brown.

The Annual Associational Sermon was delivered by the pastor, Rev. Roy D. Keller. His subject was "Ambassadors for Christ," his text was taken from the reading of 5:11-21 of 2nd Cor. This message was unusually apropriate for the times and was a challenge to every person that calls himself a Christian. The closing of this sermon with a prayer which dismissed the audience for dinner.

Noon—Adjourn for dinner.

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AFTERNOON SESSION

After that large audience assembled down in the basement part of that big, fine First Baptist Church and thanks were offered, big long tables spread and packed full of those good home-like eats.

Song—The afternoon session was opened by a song by the congregation.

Worship was conducted by Rev. Bruce Buchanan.

Motion was made by representative for Bad Creek Church that the Church wanted their name changed to Mountain View. So the motion carried and next year the name will be Mountain View for Bad Creek Church.

A new Church presented themselves for membership, recognition and record to this Association. After proper investigation it was truly found this new church was fully organized and duly constituted and was of our Missionary Baptist faith and order. They were recognized then. It was then recommended to the Associational body that the rules be suspended which required two weeks notice before receiving a church. The motion was made and carried that the body receive the new church, Kona Missionary Baptist Church. The body voted unanimously that the church be received. No objections were offered. This Kona church is now one of the 31 churches of the Mitchell County Missionary Baptist Association, being received into the Association as a full member church on August 31, 1944, while in session at the First Baptist Church of Spruce Pine, with Rev. Phillip Hightower as the first Pastor of this new Kona Church.

Aged Minister Report was called for, Read by Rev. W. M. Turbyfill, then adopted.

AGED MINISTERS REPORT

Ministerial Refief means just what the words express, namely help or relief to the retired and disabled ministers. The plan, as adopted, provides that the ministers who are termed under the plan as members contribute monthly or annually four per cent of their salary and the church or churches which they administer to pay four per cent and the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina pays $18.00 annually. This is paid to the Baptist State Convention of North

Carolina and is by them paid to the relief and Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention where it becomes an individual record for each church and for each member. The plan is a cooperative plan between the churches, ministers and our Baptist State Convention. Its success depends upon the full cooperation of all ministers and of all Baptist churches in the State churches in the State of North Carolina.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. W. M. Turbyfill.

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A motion was made by Rev. Roy Campbell that the Association go back to two days instead of one day for the annual Association. Col. Watson gave the second to the motion. The body voted and the motion carried. So the 1945 session will be two days insead of one day, August 30 and 31, 1945.

Christian Education Report was given by Rev. G. H. Glass. Report adopted. Mr. R. H. Satterfield of Meredith College from Raleigh gave an interesting message along this line.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION REPORT

Christian Education is essential to an individual, home, community, Church, State, Nation.

Baptists believe in a Christian Education.

And for this purpose Southern Baptists support four seminaries, three of these are white and one negro seminary. Each State has its own colleges or universities. In our N. C. State the work includes the maintenance of two senior colleges for men and women, and five junior colleges.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. G. H. Glass.

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Foreign Misions Report by Rev. C. A. Buchanan was called for.

State Missions Report by Rev. Jim McKinney was called for.

Home Missions Report by Bill McKinney was called for, read and adopted. Rev. J. C. Pipes, Gen. Missionary for N. C., brought an interesting message on Missions.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS

We would like to say in the outset it is our opinion the W .M. U. and its membership are doing more for the cause of Misisons than all other auxiliaries of the church combined.

Since the passing of many of our Baptist Mountain Schools in recent years, we in this section see and know very little of the many and varied activities of our Home Mision Board, of which the final goal is to save souls and build christian character. Its motto is "Trust the Lord and tell the people", its more obvious functions among us being Evangelism and D. V. B. S.

For such funds, for the present at least, the board must look largely to the Annie Armstrong offering taken in connection with the March Week of Prayer for Home Missions. The praise for this fine and worthy piece of work should justly go to the W. M. U. As goes that offering so must go the expansion of all fields of this fine and noble undertaking in the days and years to come. We urge each of you to lend your full support and thereby help to bring about a better understanding among all races of people which is a prerequisite to a lasting peace and the end of war and blood shed.

Respectfully submitted,

Bill McKinney.

Your Committee on Home Missions.

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Baptist Orphanage by Rev. Roy D. Campbell was read and adopted and Dr. Ike G. Greer, spoke in interest of the Orphans.

REPORT ON BAPTIST ORPHANAGE

Under the able leadership of Mr. I. G. Greer, the Baptist Orphanage during the year of 1943, continued to be a powerful arm of protection, love, and help to approximately 1000 boys and girls of our State. This figure includes the children in Mills Home, the Kennedy Home, and a few boys and girls who were placed in boarding homes. It is the purpose and chief aim of our Baptist Orphanage "To prepare our orphaned boys and girls, those who are left with no means of support, to fit themselves for the duties and responsibilities of life."

The chief support of the boys and girls comes through our Sunday Schools. What a blessed privilege we have in helping support and eduucate these young people. As God prospers us, may we give all we possibly can to this important work.

We would recommend the following:

1. That when ever we pray we remember these boys and girls and the great institution that cares for them.

2. That each Sunday School subscribe for *Charity and Children.*

3. That each Sunday School take a once-a-month offering and send it in immediately.

4. That on the Sunday nearest Thanksgiving Day each Sunday School take a worthy *Thanksgiving Offering* and send this in as soon as possible.

Respectfully submitted,
Roy D. Campbell.

Special Song by Rev. Fonzer Buchanan at this time.

Special Prayer at this time for the Nation at war and for the men and women in the U. S. armed forces by W. A. McKinney.

Historian Report by Rev. Frank Parsons this report in detail was adopted by the Associational body and is found in detail later on in this Minute book.

Obituary Report was called for, by Rev. Floyd Ledford will be found later in this Minute.

Church Covenant report and message by Rev. J. C. Brown was called for. Rev. Brown placed emphasis on the importance of every church having a covenant on the wall and in the heart and obeying its teaching.

Baptist Hospitals Report by Columbus Hoilman was called for, read and discussed by Keller and Smith Hagaman, Supt. of N. C. Baptist Hospitals, following the adoption of the report.

BAPTIST HOSPITAL REPORT

Our Baptist Hospital, located at Winston-Salem, N. C., is continuing the great ministry of physical healing which our Saviour inaugurated. The primary purpose of such an institution as our Baptist Hospital is to provide hospitalization for those who are financially unable to pay for hospital service. In the final analysis the number of such cases cared for is determined not by the hospital administration but by the CONTRIBUTIONS of the Baptists of North Carolina. Through the Hospital is a great oportunity for a practical application of the spirit of christianity.

Respectfully submitted,

C. L. Hoilman.

Temperance and Public Morals Report by Col. E. Frank Watson was read and discussed by him.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE AND PUBLIC MORALS

I beg to submit the following as my report on temperance and public morals.

Intemperance and immorality are the two most outstanding sins of this day, and we might say, all of the generations, and they run hand in hand. Some years ago the governor of our state announced that intoxicating liquor was man's greatest enemy, enemy number one. Is it at all shocking when we make the statement that alcohol has killed more human beings than all wars since the human race began?

One medical authority in this country lists our five most serious health problems as: alcohol, tuberculosis, social disease, cancer and heart trouble and he places alcohol first. One of our largest insurance companies reports that during the last ten years, rejection for heavy alcoholic indulgence have increased from 12 per cent to 34 per cent. One-third of insuranble men and women are condemned as unsafe risks for insurance and are rejected because of drink.

40,000 persons are killed and 1,500,000 injured every year in the United States by automobile accidents and the per cent caused by drink is estimated anywhere from 40 per cent of these down.

Since the repeal of the 18th Amendment, beer for the parents has been substituted for milk for the children. The first year of Repeal, milk consumed in the United States decreased 37,000,000 quarts and the second year 59,000,000 and the third year 69,000,000 quarts. Can we grow healthful, robust babies by the parents drinking beer? And babies doing without milk? These figures are astounding.

In the year 1932 the Brewery News said, "Not one-tenth of one per cent of the youth of America know the taste of real beer—we must educate them."

We send men to the Legislature who are opposed to allowing us a state-wide vote on the liquor question. Can we suppress this first enemy of mankind? What are we going to do about it?

Respectfully submitted,

E. F. Watson.

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Brief but good message on Salvation by Rev. D. N. Jones.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER

We, the members of your committee, recommend that the 96th session of the Mitchell County Association meet with the Liberty Hill

Baptist Church on Thursday, August 30, 1945, Rev. G. H. Glass to preach the Associational Sermon. Rev. J .C. Brown, Alternate.

Respectfully submitted,
Clarence Johnson,
Reid Queen,
Rev. J. C. Brown.

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

Whereas, we have been so graciously and pleasantly entertained by the members and the Pastor of the First Baptist Church of Spruce Pine.

Be it resolved: By rising vote that we assure them of our deep apreciation and thanks for the kind entertainment and for the privilege of holding this 1944 session of our Association with this Church.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Roy Buchanan,
Rev. Astor Buchanan.

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The Election of Associational Officers being in order at this time, the following were elected for the 1945 year:

Rev. J. H. Henline, Moderator; Rev. Roy D. Campbell, Vice-Moderator; Rev. Frank Parsons, Clerk and Treasurer; Rev. Frank Parsons, Historian.

Adjourn, until the Evening Session, by prayer.

EVENING SESSION

Worship at 7:45. The evening session opened with Special Singing by the Buchanan Quartet which was a blessing to all.

The Moderator, Rev. J. H. Henline expressed his deep concern that he could not be present during the night session. Rev. Roy Campbell acted in the Moderator's place during the evening session.

Prayer message by Rev. W. B. Buchanan was called for. The Personal Experience of Tithing report by Elma B. Willis was called for.

The Discussion on the importance of Praying and Tithing in the Church, by Inez Johnson was called for.

B. T. U. Report was read by Morris Elliott. Adopted and Discussed.

Special Prayer for the Nation at war and for the men and women in the U. S. armed forces.

Rev. Roy Campbell suggested there be an active committee appointed to see the churches and see what churches would support a full ime County Missionary. And Bill McKinney and Frank Hopkins and Mrs. Bell Parker were appointed as the active committee.

D. V. B. Schools Report was called for. Rev. Frank Hopkins read the report and discussed it.

REPORT ON DAILY VACATION BIBLE SCHOOLS

It is the aim of any Bible teacher not only to instruct the pupil in the things of Christ but to instill in his heart a desire to study God's Word. With due apreciation for the work of the Sunday School we all know our children are not receiving all the Bible training that is essential if they are to become valuable church members in later life.

May we by God's help and through the influence of a Daily Vacation Bible School program obey Christ's command to "Feed My Lambs."

Respectfully submitted,
Frank B. Hopkins.

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Sunday Schools Report by Rev. J. Astor Buchanan was called for, read and adopted.

Mr. M. H. Kendall of Mars Hill College brought an interesting message on the line of Christian training.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

Our Lord Jesus Christ established the church as a means of carrying on His Kingdom Work. His church is made up of "Baptized believers" those who have repented of their sins and believed on Him as Lord and Savior and followed Him in baptism. They are to follow Him to witness of Him, Acts. 1:8.

The Sunday School is the organization of the church set to the task of teaching the word of God. Not all preaching is teaching therefore, we depend largely upon the S. S. to teach the word that sinners may be brought to a saving knowledge of Christ and that the Church may be trained in witnessing and fruit bearing for our Lord.

So let us all join our prayers for a bigger and better S. S. in the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,
J. Astor Buchanan.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MITCHELL COUNTY BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

The Mitchell County Baptist Sunday School Convention met with Cane Creek Baptist Church on Friday, August 11, 1944, for the annual session. Program and Proceedings as follows:

Friday Morning Session

10:00 Song by the congregation.
Program read and adopted. A call to order and Welcome to all by the Superintendent.
10:05 Devotional by Rev. W. M. Turbyfill.
10:20 Recognition of Ministers and S. S. Workers, Pastors and Visitors.
10:25 Roll Call of Churches represented by Messengers from Sunday Schools.
10:30 Appointment of Committees on Time, Place and Preacher and Resolutions.
W. A. McKinney, Molton Buchanan, Willard Buchanan on Time, Place, Preacher. Clarence Johnson, C. B. Freeman, Merit Sparks on Resolutions.
10:35 Duty of a S. S. and Workers—Rev. G. H. Glass.
10:50 Effect of Worldly Amusements on S. S. by Rev. J. H. Henline.
Special Song by Rev. Fonzer Buchanan.
11:00 Convention sermon by Rev. Clarence Buchanan.
12:00 Dinner was served at the homes for the Convention.

Afternoon Session

1:00 Song "Nothing but the Blood of Jesus."
Devotional by Rev. Fonzer Buchanan.
1:15 Special Prayer for those in services and for the nation at war, by W. A. McKinney.
Discussion on Tithing and Prayer by Inez Johnson.
1:25 Importance of a V. B. S., by Rev. Frank Hopkins.
1:45 Review of Baptist in County, State and Southwide by W. W. T. Baucom.
Discussion on W. M. U. work by Mrs. N. G. Pitman.
2:05 S. S. and Evangelism, by Rev. Bruce Buchanan.

2:20 Election of Officers:

Rev. J. Astor Buchanan, Supt.

Rev. Chas Carpenter, Asst. Supt.

Rev. Frank Parsons, Secretary.

2:25 Reports of Comittees: On Time, Place and Preacher was that the next Convention be held at Mine Creek Church, on August 10th, 1945.

Rev. Bruce Buchanan to preach the Convention Sermon.

Fine report given on Resolutions, by Clarence Johnson.

2:45 The Importance of Tithing and Prayer in S. S. by Roy D. Keller.

Special song by Rev. Fonzer Buchanan.

3:15 Adjournment by Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. J. Astor Buchanan, Superintendent.,

Rev. Frank Parsons, Secretary.

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REPORT ON OBITUARY

We pause at this time to show our respect to those of our Churches who have passed on to their reward. They are missed and remembered.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Floyd Ledford.

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Our Dead

BAD CREEK—
Mrs. Clate Green,
(Wife of a Deacon)
BAKERSVILLE—
M. L. Wilson, (Deacon)
BERRY'S CHAPEL—
Hoyt Carpenter
Avery Pittman
BIG CRABTREE—
Joe Gurley, (Deacon)
Elizabeth Talby
BIG ROCK CREEK—
Doss Hopson, (Deacon)
CANE CREEK—
Charles Buchanan
Virgil Buchanan
CUB CREEK—
Clarence Sparks
Marvel Greene
Mrs. Clarsie Canipe
FIRST BAPTIST (Spruce Pine)—
R. V. Davis
George Bartlett
Harry Ellis
Mrs. Carroll Baker
Mrs. S. W. Hall
Mrs. Alice Sparks
FORK MOUNTAIN—
D. M. Cooke, (Clerk)
Bob McKinney
Lucy McKinney
GRASSY CREEK—
Richardson McKinney—
Sam Quinn
LIBERTY HILL—
Marshell Hoppes, (Elder)
LILY BRANCH—
Mrs. Emma Boone
W. M. Huskins
LITTLE ROCK CREEK—
Mrs. Nora Greene
MINE CREEK—
R. M. Davis
WHITE OAK—
J. L. Wilson, (Deacon)
Mrs. Matilda Wilson
Mrs. Dora Smith
PINE BRANCH—
Farrell Buchanan
George Pitman
Mrs. Phylis Sullins
REBELS CREEK—
Mrs. Bedia Young
ROAN MOUNTAIN—
Gentry Turbyfill
J. B. Buchanan
Mrs. Hattie Singleton
Mrs. L. P. Peterson
SILVER CHAPEL—
Mrs. Caroline Johnson
Lt. Ralph Jarrett, Jr.
SNOW HILL—
Mrs. S. M. Johnson
TOECANE—
Winton Johnson

TOTAL DEATHS — 43

A prayer brought to a close another momentous session of the Mitchell County Missionary Baptist Association, to meet next year with the Liberty Hill Church on Thursday and Friday, August 30 and 31, 1945.

REV. J. H. HENLINE, Moderator,

REV. ROY D. CAMPBELL, Vice-Moderator,

REV. FRANK PARSONS, Clerk, Treasurer, and Historian.

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SUMMARY REPORT OF 1944 CHURCH LETTERS

Of Mitchell County Association

Baptisms 204. Decrease from last year 26.
Churches reported 30. Increase over last year 1.
Pastors in 1944, 18. Increase of 2.
Ordained ministers, not pastors, 17. Increase 1.
New Churches 1 (Kona).
Church Members in 1944, total 5,479. Increase 155.
Sunday School Enrollment 3,700. Decrease 130.
B. T. U. enrollment 327. Decrease 17.
W. M. U. enrollment 110, decrease 38.
Deaths this year 43. Increase 12.
Revival Meetings 32. Decrease 2.
Gifts by W. M. U. to Local Work $952.00; to Missions $1,297.20.
Gifts by W. M. U. increased over last year $599.60.
Gifts by Churches to Missions $5,941.58. Increase $1,836.26.
Gifts by Churches all purposes, $39,866.18. Increase $7,815.64.
Cash (not produce) to Orphanages $2,203.77, increase $660.62.
Cash to Hospitals $776.54. Increase over last year $295.10.
Cash given by Churches to Red Cross $539.14.
Cash given to State, Home and Foreign Misions $622.10.
Cash given to Co-operative program by churches $1,444.52.
Cash given to the local poor by the churches $1,245.52.

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NORTH CAROLINA BAPTISTS

In our grand state of North Carolina, there are the following: Sixty-eight white Associations, and two Indian Associations, as associate Members of the North Carolina State Convention.

There are now 2,658 Churches in N. C. of Missionary Baptists, a gain over last year of 14 churches.

There are 560,588 Baptist members in N. C., with a gain of 9,240.

There are in N. C. 38 Indian churches, members 4,472.

18,167 were baptized in N. C., a loss of 3,141 from last year.

747 churches in N. C. had no Baptisms in 1944.

Gifts by N. C. churches $7,749,348.07, gain of $1,294,529.25.

2,621 churches have Sunday Schools, 37 don't have S. S.

28 Mission S. S. total 2,649 S. S. Members in S. S. 390,258 a loss of 11,986 members.

Only 751 churches have Training Unions.

The Association that has most churches in N. C. is Pilot Mountain, 77; Roanoke next has 76 churches, Raleigh 3rd has 68. Mitchell comes away down the list but has 32 churches, Yancey County has the same 32. Avery county has 26.

Membership: Mitchell has 5,479; Yancey has 4,584; Avery 2,675.

Baptisms: Mitchell had 204, Yancey 92, Avery 107.

N. C. Misionaries appointed for and on Foreign Fields, 34.

There are 2,227 ordained Baptist Ministers in N. C. 23,311 in the 20 states of the whole Southern Baptist Convention.

Baptist State Convention of North Carolina was organized in 1830; Southern Baptist Convention in 1845; Mitchell County Association in 1849; Yancey County by present name in 1879; Avery Association in 1912.

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SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION

You have just read about Mitchell County Association and N. C. State Convention, now then read about the whole Southern Baptist Convention of 20 states, names of states are given elsewhere in this minute:

Members 5,493,027; Churches 25,790; Associations 921; Ordained Ministers 23,311 (1,250 of these are Chaplains); Baptisms 202,301; Sunday Schools 24,503, enrollment 3,332,978; Gifts, Missions, etc., 13,-455,640; Total gifts 63,067,083; B. T. U. Organizations 49,200, Members 777,732; W. M. U. Organizations 38,695, Contributions $4,673,455. 715,-433 members.

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GENERAL RELIGIOUS BODIES IN U. S. IN 1942

Baptist Bodies 11,408,113. (But around 12 million in 1944). Lutheran bodies 5,017,546; Methodist bodies 9,611,734; Presbyterian Bodies 2,858,739; Roman Catholics 22,945,247; Jewish Congregations 4,-641,184.

The Misionary Baptist people that make up the denomination of

the whole Southern Baptist Convention of the whole twenty states, make it far stronger than in the North, although the Northern work has a far greater extent of territory in which to work.

In 1790, in U. S. there were 564 Baptist Preachers, 748 Churches, 60,970 Baptist members. In N. C. in 1792 there were 94 Churches, 7,500 Baptist Members; In 1812, 204 churches, with 12,500 B. Members.

1912—In the year 1912 Church statistics show a total of 2,446,296 white Baptists in the South. 384 Associations. 23,982 churches. 1,915,476 colored Baptists; 21,200 colored churches. 1,168,894 Baptists in other states. 1,130,483 Baptists in other nations of the world. Making a grand total of Baptists in the whole world in the year 1912 of 6,661,149, a little over six and a half million, but the South has the proud distinction of the greatest strength.

In 1912 there were 50,188 Baptist churches including the North and South of both white and colored in America and 9,167 in the rest of the whole world, and 36,027 ministers in America to 5,241 elsewhere.

History of the Mitchell County Missionary Baptist Association

The annual association held August 31, 1944 is the 96th annual session held in succession, and not a year missed without holding the annual association of this Misionary Baptist Association, from the day it was organized in October 5, 1849, up to and including August 31, 1944, session.

This association has the prerogative of changing its name at any time the body is in session and decides to do so.

It has been named 5 times during these 96 annual sessions, but only had 3 diferent new names. It changed its name 4 times since originally named. Named as follows:

ROAN MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION is the first name it had. It had this name at two different times. This was its first and fourth name. It was given this name when it was first organized and first named in its first session which was on October 5, 1849. It went by this name from 1849 to 1883 inclusive. Total 35 years by this name at this time.

Name changed for the first time, from Roan Mountain Baptist Association to Mitchell County Baptist Association in 1883 session, but 1884 was the 1st year it went by the Mitchell County Baptist name.

MITCHELL COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION is the second name it had. It was named this at two different times. It went by this name first in 1884 and from 1884 to 1910 inclusive. Total 27 years by this name at this time.

ROAN-GRANDFATHER MOUNTAIN ASSOCIATION is the third name it had. Its name changed the second time. This time from Mitchell County Baptist to Roan-Grandfather Mountain Association in 1911. It went by this new name in 1911 only. Total 1 year only by this name.

ROAN MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION is the fourth name it had. 1912 is the 2nd time it had this name. It went by this old name in 1912 and from 1912 to 1916 inclusive. Ttotal 5 years by this old name at this 2nd time.

Its name changed the third time. This time from Roan-Grandfather Mountain to Roan Mountain Baptist Association in 1912.

MITCHELL COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION is the fifth name it had. The 1917 session is the second time it had this name. It went by this name in 1917 and from 1917 to 1944 inclusive, and still has this name in 1944. Total 28 years by this old name at this 2nd time named this.

40 years all told this Association went by the name of Roan Mountain Baptist Association. The first time was 1849 to 1883; the second time from 1912 to 1916.

One year it went by the name Roan-Grandfather Mountain Association.

55 years all told this Association has gone by the name of Mitchell County Baptist Association, but it is the same old Association that was organized back on October 5, 1849, but just changed its name and place of meeting from time to time.

It went by this name first from 1884 to 1910; the second and last time 1917 to 1944 inclusive.

96 years all told, from the time this Association was first organied to 1944, inclusive

This Association was organized on October 5, 1849, at Double Island Baptist Church in Yancey County, N. C., and was named at the same time. It was named the "Roan Mountain Baptist Association."

The reason why Mitchell County Association was organized and named in Yancey County instead of in Mitchell County, was because Yancey County is older than Mitchell County. And so this was before Mitchell County was formed into a county or named Mitchell. Yancey County was cut off from another county and formed into a territory and named Yancey County in 1833, which was around 28 years before Mitchell was formed and named.

Mitchell County was cut off from Yancey County into a territory and formed into and named Mitchell County in 1861.

But the Association we now have in Mitchell County named the Mitchell County Baptist Association is the same association that

was started while Mitchell County territory was ruled over, controlled by, and included in the territory that was then called Yancey County. So Yancey County used to be bigger than what is now in territory, it included Mitchell territory before our county was cut off and formed and named Mitchell County. So the Missionary Baptists lived in this same Mitchell County territory and carried on the work for Christ before there was ever a Mitchell or Yancey County formed or named, even while both of these territories were controlled by another county or territory, because the Missionary Baptists are older than any county in North Carolina by name or older than the name North Carolina state, or even older than the forming and naming and discovering of the United States.

Jesus Christ has always had outstanding Missionary Baptist preachers on the scene ever since he called his first Missionary Baptist preacher, John the Baptist, Matt. 3:1. So the time this Mitchell County Missionary Baptist Association was organized on October 5, 1849, among the outstanding Missionary Baptist preachers here were Elders and Reverends Stephen Morgan, Stephen M. Collis, Moses Peterson, Leonard Buchanan, and others. Then from time to time other powerful, outstanding Baptist preachers came on the scene of action and some of them are found in the Historical Table of this Minute book. Such preachers as Stephen M. Greene, who served as Moderator of this Association for 25 sessions; Leonard Buchanan served 9 sessions; Stephen M. Collis served 19 sessions; Landon H. Green served 7 sessions as Moderator; C. G. Ellis 3 sessions; Roy D. Campbell 7 sessions; J. H. Henline 11 sessions, up to and including 1944 session. Of course, there are a great number of Missionary Baptist preachers who had but little recognition here, but will have great rewards in Heaven, so only one man at a time could be Moderator, so there were many outstanding preachers who never were Moderator.

Date	Place	Moderator	Clerk	Associational Sermn By
1849	Double Island	Rev. Moses Peterson	Rev. S. M. Collis	Rev. Moses Peterson
1850	Beaver Creek	Rev. Leonard Buchanan	Rev. S. M. Collis	Rev. Reese Bayless
1851	Roan Mountain	Rev. Leonard Buchanan	Rev. S. M. Collis	Rev John Buchanan
1852	Grassy Creek	Rev. Leonard Buchanan	Rev. S. M. Collis	Rev. James Ray
1853	Laurel Branch	Rev. James Ray	Rev. S. M. Collis	Rev. Stephen M. Collis
1854	Big Rock Creek	Rev. Leonard Buchanan	Rev. S. M. Collis	Rev. Jacob Silver
1855	Bear Creek	Rev. Leonard Buchanan	Rev. S. M. Collis	Rev. L. Buchanan
1856	Crab Tree	Rev. Leonard Buchanan	John W. Peak	Rev. S. M. Collis
1857	Mine Creek	Rev. Leonard Buchanan	Rev. S. M. Collis	Rev. John Buchanan
1858	Bald Creek	Rev. James Collis	J. D. Howell	Rev. James Collis
1859	Roan Mountain	Rev. Stephen M Collis	J. D. Howell	Rev. E K. Blanton
1860	Pleasant Grove	Rev. Leonard Buchanan	S. Honeycutt	Rev. Stephen M. Collis
1861	Double Island	Rev. Leonard Buchanan	Rev. S. M. Collis	Rev. S. Byrd
1862	Zion, Yancey Co.	Rev. S. M. Collis	Rev. J. J. Jones	Rev. J. J. Jones
1863	Big Meadow	Rev. S. M. Collis	Mr. J. P. Dickson	Rev. James Collis
1864	Pleasant Grove	Rev. S. M. Collis	Mr. J. P. Dickson	Rev. Stephen M. Collis
1865	Beaver Creek	Elder John Autrey	Mr. J. P. Dickson	Rev. John Autry
1866	Crab Tree	Rev. S. M. Collis	Rev. J. P. Dickson	Rev J. P. Dickson
1867	Mine Creek	Rev. S. M. Collis	Rev. J. P. Dickson	Rev. J. W. Duncan
1868	Jacks Creek	Rev. S. M. Collis	Rev. J. P. Dickson	Rev. Samuel Wilson
1869	Roan Mountain	Rev. H. W. Briggs	Rev. J. P. Dickson	Rev. H. W. Briggs
1870	Laurel Branch	Rev. H. W. Briggs	W. A. Honeycutt	Rev. Stephen M. Greene
1871	Grassy Creek	Rev. S M. Collis	Rev. S. M. Greene	Rev. J. C. Sparks
1872	Fork Mountain	Rev. S M. Collis	Rev. S. M. Greene	Rev J. W. Hollender
1873	Mt. Pleasant	Rev. S M. Collis	Rev. S. M. Greene	Rev. S. M. Collis
1874	Bear Creek	Rev. S M. Collis	Rev. S. M. Greene	Rev. Jesse Whit
1875	Yellow Mountain	Rev. S M. Collis	Rev J. W. Putnam	Rev. J. W. Putnam
1876	Roan Mountain	Rev. S M. Collis	Rev. S. M. Greene	Rev. L. W. Sams
1877	Little Rock	Rev. J. C. Sparks	Rev. J. W. Putnam	Rev. W. H Ollis
1878	Grassy Creek	Rev. S. M. Collis	Rev. J. W. Putnam	Rev. S. M. Greene
1879	Cub Creek	Rev. S. M. Collis	Rev. J. W. Putnam	Rev. E. A. Poe
1880	Cane Creek	Rev. S. M. Collis	Rev. J. W. Putnam	Rev. S. M. Collis
1881	Rain Hill Ch.	Rev. S. M. Greene	Rev. J. W. Putnam	Rev. S. M. Collis
1882	Bakersville	Rev. S M Collis	Rev. S. M. Greene	Rev. S M. Greene
1883	Bear Creek	Rev. S. M Collis	Rev. J. W. Putnam	Rev. S. M. Collis
1884	Roan Mountain	Rev. S. M. Greene	Rev. J. W. Putnam	Rev. L. H. Greene
1885	Little Rock	Rev. S. M. Greene	Rev. J. W. Putnam	Rev. T. H. McCourry
1886	Toe River	Rev. L. H. Greene	Rev S. M. Collis	Rev. S. M. Collis
1887	Elk Park	Rev. S. M. Collis	Rev. W. G. Buchanan	Rev. S. M. Greene
1888	Mine Creek	J. W Duncan	Rev. S. M. Greene	Rev. E. Buchanan
1889	Grassy Creek	J. W Duncan	Rev. S. M. Greene	Rev. J. C. Sparks
1890	Aaron	Rev. S. M. Greene	W. G. Buchanan	Rev. W. H Ollis
1891	Fork Mountain	Rev. J. C. Sparks	D. W. Greene	Rev. L. H. Greene
1892	Big Rock Creek	Rev. W. G. Buchanan	Rev. J. W Putnam	Rev. W. A. Robertson
1893	Big Meadows	Rev. S. M Greene	Rev. J. W Putnam	Rev. J. W. Putnam
1894	Roan Mountain	Rev. L. H. Greene	Rev. S. M. Greene	Rev. L H. Greene
1895	Lily Branch	Rev. L. H. Greene	D. W. Greene	Rev. J. W. Putnam
1896	Mt. Pleasant	Rev. S. M. Greene	D. W. Greene	Rev. G. P. Bostic

HISTORICAL TABLE MITCHELL COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION—Continued

Date	Place	Moderator	Clerk	Associational Sermn By
1897	Little Rock Creek	Rev. S. M. Greene	D. W. Greene	Rev. S. M. Greene
1898	Bear Creek	Rev. S. M. Greene	D. W. Greene	Rev. P. J Shell
1899	Yellow Mountain	Rev. S. M. Greene	D. W. Greene	Rev. T. M. Honeycutt
1900	Bakersville	Rev. S. M. Greene	D. W. Greene	Rev. A. E. Brown
1901	Liberty Hill	Rev. S. M. Greene	D. W. Greene	Rev. J. B. Naugle
1902	Cane Creek	Rev. S. M. Greene	D. W. Greene	Rev. J W. Duncan
1903	Aaron	Rev. S. M. Greene	W. F. Dodson	Rev. L. H. Greene
1904	Roan Mountain	Rev. S. M. Greene	W. F. Dodson	Rev. T. M. Reid
1905	Roaring Creek	Rev. S. M. Greene	W. F. Dodson	Rev. A. E. Brown
1906	Bear Creek	Rev. S. M. Greene	W. F. Dodson	Rev. J. W Duncan
1907	Grassy Creek	Rev. S. M. Greene	W. F. Dodson	Rev. L. H. Greene
1908	Silver Chapel	Rev. S. M. Greene	W. F. Dodson	Rev. S. M. Greene
1909	Bakersville	Rev. L. H. Greene	W. F. Dodson	Rev. A. E. Brown
1910	Pleasant Hill	Rev. L. H. Greene	D. W. Greene	Rev. J C. Blalock
1911	Spruce Pine	Rev. L. H. Greene	R. T Teague	Rev. S. M. Greene
1912	Cane Creek	Rev. S M. Greene	W. F. Dodson	Rev. A. D. Smith
1913	Fork Mountain	Rev. L. H. Greene	J. H. Phillips	Rev. J. C. Owen
1914	Lily Branch	Rev. J. A. Gouge	W. F. Dodson	Rev. C. P Holland
1915	Bakersville	Hon. Chas. E. Greene	W. F. Dodson	Rev. S. M. Greene
1916	Little Rock Creek	Rev. S. M Greene	W. F. Dodson	Rev. L. H. Greene
1917	Cub Creek	W. F Dodson	C. C. Pritchard	Dr. A. E. Brown
1918	Liberty Hill	Rev. S. M. Greene	Rev. M. L. Buchanan	Rev. M L. Buchanan
1919	Roan Mountain	Rev. S. M. Greene	W C. Berry	Rev. J. A. Gouge
1920	Spruc Pine	Rev. S. M. Greene	Rev. C. G. Ellis	Rev. Isaac Grindstaff
1921	Lily Branch	Rev. S. M. Greene	D. W. Greene	Rev. Chas. G. Ellis
1922	Bakersville	Rev. S. M. Greene	D. W. Greene	Rev. J. C. Thomas
1923	Grassy Creek	Rev. C. G. Ellis	W. C. McKinney	Rev. Chas G. Ellis
1924	Fork Mountain	Rev. C. G. Ellis	Clarence Johnson	Rev. G. P. Lanier
1925	Pine Branch	Rev. C. G. Ellis	D. W. Greene	Rev. C. G. Ellis
1926	Little Rock	Mr. W. C Berry	J. F. Greene	Dr. C. E. Maddry
1927	Toecane	Rev. J. H. Henline	D. W Greene	Rev. J. H Henline
1928	Bakersville	Rev. J. H. Henline	D. W Greene	Rev. H. M. Stroup
1929	Cane Creek	Rev. J. H. Henline	M. C. Brown	Rev. C. G. Ellis
1930	Silver Chapel	Rev. J. H. Henline	M. C. Brown	Rev. H. M. Stroup
1931	Snow Hill	Rev. J. H. Henline	M. C. Brown	Dr. O E. Sams
1932	Spruce Pine 1st	Rev. J. H. Henline	Robert N. Young	Rev. C. G. Ellis
1933	Roan Mountain	Rev. J. H. Henline	R. N. Young	Rev. J. A. Gouge
1934	Mine Creek	Rev. R. D. Campbell	John C. Greene	Rev. I. J. Ingle
1935	Black Mountain	Rev. R. D. Campbell	Ralph Collis	Dr. J. C Owen
1936	Bear Creek	Rev. R. D. Campbell	J. A. Hudson	Dr. J. H. Henline
1937	Beaver Creek	Rev. R. D. Campbell	Clarence Johnson	Dr. J. A. Hudson
1938	Lily Branch	Rev. R. D. Campbell	Clarence Johnson	Rev. C. A. Buchanan
1939	Cub Creek	Rev. R. D. Campbell	Warren Pritchard	None preached
1940	White Oak	Rev. R. D. Campbell	Warren Pritchard	Rev. W T. Baucom
1941	Snow Hill	Rev. J. H. Henline	Warren Pritchard	Rev. R. H. Satterfield
1942	Grassy Creek	Rev. J. H. Henline	Warren Pritchard	Rev. Roy D. Campbell

30 A. D. The Mitchell County Baptist Association principles of faith and doctrine and work began with one person, John the Baptist, Matt. 3:1. He was a Baptist—the first Baptist; he was a preacher—the first Baptist preacher; he was the one the Lord called "the Baptist"—Matt. 3:1. Before John the Baptist ever baptised a person and before he ever preached a sermon, he was called "the Baptist", because of the work God sent him out to do. John the Baptist was a Baptist because his work and mission was to make and baptize believers, disciples, Christians, saved people. 1944 Baptists are honored with the same work, mission and commission as the first Missionary Baptist, John the Baptist, had.

The next Missionary Baptists were those John the Baptist made and baptised of Jerusalem and Judea. 3:5 Matt.

Next on the scene as a Baptist preacher was the man who walked 60 miles from Nazareth in Galilee to the river Jordan in Judea, where John the Baptist was baptizing and was baptized of John in the river Jordan. This was Jesus Christ, the beloved Son of the living God of Heaven, our example and our only Saviour.

Later on the scene as Baptists were the 11 faithful apostles chosen by Jesus Christ to take the lead, be the light and example after Him.

Later came the 70 disciples chosen by Jesus Christ, to help lead the way.

Then later on appeared Barsabas, Matthias, Acts 1:23; those it took to make the balance of the 120, Acts 1:15; and the five hundred of 1 Cor. 15:6; and the three thousand of Acts 2:41; and the five thousand of Acts 4:4; and the Jerusalem Church and Corinth Church, 13:1-8, Acts; the 7 churches of Asia, 1:4, Rev.; and on till you are one of these wonderful Baptists.

"In union of Missionary Baptists there is strength."

This is especially true in reference to the affairs of Christianity. Missionary Baptists on earth need all the strength and union they can get out of Missionary Baptists to carry on the Missionary Baptist fight against Satan, to aid them in following the Master, and to extend His kingdom here, and to obey His command.

From the very day on which Christ was crucified and died, followers of Christ have banded together in communities, assemblies, and places, and have continued to exist until today we have organized bodies, churches scattered over the world.

No man can worship God and do his duty toward Christ by himself. Therefore your membership in a Baptist church is essential and necessary to the leading of a Christian life. This brings us to the subject of the chief Missionary Baptist Churches that are working for the advancement of Christ's kingdom in the Southland, and

we, the Mitchell County Missionary Baptist Association, are a part of this great and advancing Baptist work.

1500 A. D. Baptist belief and principles and doctrine, we Baptists declare, are traceable through a series of bodies in existence from apostolic times, Jesus Christ, John the Baptist, on down to us, and when anything occurs the Baptists step to the front to declare and keep alive their principles and faith. Around 1500 when the Reformation set in, this was a movement of protest against the evils that had grown up in the Roman church, and was led by Martin Luther and others. From it we get the term "Protestant". The believers in baptism by immersion took part in it in so far as stated as to step to the front to let the world know what their Baptist principles and doctrine were and had been since the days of John the Baptist when he began his work for Christ by baptising disciples in the river Jordan in Judea.

1520 A. D. We find in history a Baptist community that seems to have been formed in Switzerland about the year 1520, which was three years after Luther began the Reformation in Germany. The Swiss, from the earliest times, had been a most independent people, and had, under a reformer named Zwingli, begun war on the Roman Church, as had Luther. The Baptists then found themselves between two fires of persecution: Zwingli was a Protestant, not a Roman, yet he persecuted the Baptists and so did the Roman Church, but nevertheless the Baptist movement did under this right and left persecution, as it had done under the Jewish persecution in Jerusalem, it grew and spread. This time it spread to Holland and to Germany, then finally the Baptist movement spread to England, and there, it may be said, the real Baptist faith of the present day began to be stripped of its errors that man had attached to it which were not New Testament in origin. The Swiss and German and Dutch brethren had the germ of the real Missionary Baptist faith, but like a too long a sermon, only the New Testament part is all that Jesus required us Baptists to have.

It took around one hundred years for the English Baptists to purify again the faith of some of the things that were harmful to it, to become established thoroughly, to avoid being drawn into the disputes between Henry VIII., and the Pope, to avoid being absorbed by the English church that resulted from those disputes, since this was in the reigns of Henry VIII and his daughter, Queen Elizabeth, and to weather the storm of persecution that arose. Troubles would spring up within which had to be settled, but, whatever the points upon which disagreement came, baptism by immersion always seems to have been agreed upon by all Baptists as one of the main things.

To describe the trials and tribulations and persecutions of the faith our Baptists have had to pay the supreme sacrifice by giving

their lives and all they had to hold up the Baptist principles and hand them on down to us, it would require many volumes to describe in small details, for its members suffered great persecutions at the hands of the Roman church, and from the Protestants as well. Many, many hundreds of thousands of Missionary Baptists died the death of the martyr, many thrown into jail, yet still they managed to exist and grow, waxing stronger in England during the reigns of Elizabeth, James I., and Charles I. When the people of England rose up against the latter king, the Baptists were a strong and recognized denomination, when Cromwell took the place of Charles as king. John Milton, the author of "Paradise Lost," was a Baptist, and held a high office under Cromwell. There were other Baptists high in Cromwell's council, while John Bunyan was a preacher and member of the Baptist faith and was author of "The Pilgrim's Progress".

Out of the troubles in England, leading up to the revolt under Cromwell, grew the planting of the Baptist faith in America.

Before the Puritans and Roundheads took up arms against Charles and beheaded him, many of them came to America, which then was a vast wilderness, inhabited only by Indians and wild beasts.

1620 A. D. They landed as our Pilgrim Fathers Dec. 21, 1620, at Plymouth, Mass., and there formed several colonies. A little later another colony was formed at a place called Salem, also in the state of Massachusetts. These colonies set up the worship of God in the perfect freedom they desired, according to their own ideas, and it is this freedom that always has been one of the great principles of the Missionary Baptist faith. And in this good country only was it finally to be realized as we now have it and want it and as Jesus said for it to be. Let me take time out with you here and now to say, "Thank God for America and that you and I are Americans and are in America. And that Jesus is our Saviour."

One of the preachers at Salem was Roger Williams. He became a convert to Baptist principles, but his views, as he preached them, were entirely too broad to suit the narrow-minded Puritans. He and those who stood as he stood were bitterly persecuted, so that liberty-loving preacher and his people were forced to depart, journeying through the wilderness to what is now Rhode Island.

1636 A. D. There they founded another colony—the first real Baptist community in America—and called it Providence, Rhode Island. This was in 1636.

Later Roger Williams was joined by another Baptist preacher, John Clarke, and between these two sturdy Christians, Baptists, Pilgrims and pioneers, the foundation of the Baptist faith in America was laid and started to us. The time now was ripe for the rapid spread of the denomination.

In New England, Puritanism, with its grim, brutal, and often bloody intolerance, drove many men and women of broader mind to seek freedom of religious thought elsewhere. Many of them joined Roger Williams, and his Baptists, and the faith spread as settlements came into existence along the Atlantic seaboard southward, and in what is today known as the Middle States.

A strong Baptist community was formed near Philadelphia, Pa., and for many years after the founding of that city in 1682 Baptists were almost as strong there as the Friends, or Quakers, who established it.

1684 A. D. Baptist principles and worship early secured a foothold in the South. The FIRST MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH being started in the South was in Charleston, South Carolina, in 1684. This was only 64 years after the Puritans, Pilgrim Fathers, landed at Plymouth Rock, Mass., in 1620, until we had a church established in the Southland.

1707—Association. Unquestionably the great and historic and Mother Eve of American Associations in the U. S. was this Philadelphia, Pa., Association. It has been sound in the faith and practice and missionary in spirit from the beginning when it was organized in 1707. It was then composed of only 5 churches.

This was the first Missionary Baptist Association in America or in this Western hemisphere, at which delegates from the various Missionary Baptist churches were present. They assembled in Philadelphia, Pa., in 1707 and organized this and called it the Philadelphia Baptist Association.

Prior to this Association in 1707 in Philadelphia, Pa., there had been gathers each year, but they were hardly more than local affairs, as traveling and transportation in those days were difficult and dangerous and long.

From this Philadelphia association much missionary work was done throughout the colonies, and thereafter the churches multiplied apace.

The Revolutionary War gave to the Baptists or used them as one of their greatest forward movements.

Many men and women belonging to the Protestant Episcopal church joined the Baptists when war between the colonies and the mother-country broke out, because of the hatred of England and all things English.

1714—Virginia state saw its first church established in 1714.

1727—In 1727 North Carolina state saw its first church built.

1758—Sandy Creek Association was organized. There are 70 Associations in North Carolina state in 1944. Per the present names of these Associations, the Sandy Creek is the first and oldest Association in the state of North Carolina.

Sandy Creek Association was organized in 1758.

Yadkin Association was organized in 1786.

Flat River Ass'n was organized in 1794; Neuse in 1794; Raleigh in 1805; Chowan in 1806; French Broad in 1807; Brier Creek in 1811; Pee Dee in 1816; Mitchell County Ass'n was organized in 1849; Yancey County Ass'n in 1879 (Present name and Association); Avery County Ass'n in 1912.

1784—In 1784 there were 151 Baptist Churches in America and 4,783 Baptist members in these 151 Churches.

1800—In sixteen years later in 1800, there were of Baptists 1,200 churches and almost 100,000 members. No other denomination in America could show such results for the same period of time as Baptists could.

External, as well as internal, evidence shows that Baptists greatly influenced Washington, Jefferson, and Madison in laying the foundations of a free government, a free church, and a free press for the U. S.

After the year 1800 growth was slower at times, but steady, although the denomination occasionally was torn by dissension, disagreement, breach of union.

There were no Sunday Schools of the modern kind, only private instructions, in the year 1800.

In the year 1800, there was no state or national organiaztion of our people, but there were general committees, and widespread cooperation for missions, education and particularly for mutual protection against civil and religious persecution. All the principles underlying the wider forms of present cooperation were then in full force.

In the years to follow, the Judsons and Luther Rice were Congregational missionaries and were on their way to India as missionaries. They were on different boats. As a result of their personal study of the New Testament and their faithfulness and truthfulness to its truthful teaching, they became Missionary Baptists.

The Judsons went to Burma and Luther Rice returned to America to tell of their conversion and to urge American Missionary Baptists to organize in a way to provide for their support as Missionary Baptist Missionaries from America. This resulted in 1814, the Baptists of the North and the Missionary Baptists of the South coming together and organizing and formed and named their body, in 1814, the "GENERAL BAPTIST, or TRIENNIAL CONVENTION", with the Missionary Baptists in the northern states. It did spread the gospel and did both foreign and home mission work. Distances of meetings were great, meetings were few, attendance got smaller, differences, difficulties and misunderstandings arose.

1814—So in 1814 year the Missionary Baptists of the whole United States, of both the Northern and Southern states, met at Philadelphia, Pa., and formed and organized and named the GENERAL BAPTIST CONVENTION, or it is also called the Triennial Convention

The Missionary Baptists had district Baptist associations and also state conventions (or associations) in many states, but this General Baptist Convention organized and named in 1814 is the 2nd Association in America that was bigger than a state convention. And, of course, from a territorial standpoint it is the biggest ever been organized in America up to 1944, but not the biggest in members. (1707, Philadelphia, Pa., was the first Ass'n.) Because this 1814 General Baptist Convention had the then members and territory and states and churches of both the southern and northern states in it, the only one in America and included all Missionary Baptists of America.

1815—In the neighborhood of 1815 began the series of troubles that resulted in the secession from the faith of a number of factional offshoots, many of which continued to call themselves Baptists.)

(When the question of slavery began to agitate the country, long before the outbreak of the Civil War, one of the first places where discussion arose was the council of the denomination. The friction continued and increased for years, and, under the circumstances, could have but the following result.)

The board of managers of this General Baptist or Triennial Convention passed a resolution that no person should be sent out as a foreign missionary who owned slaves. This board of this Convention must to have been mostly men of the Northern states, because the Southern Baptists believed this action was illegal.

The Alabama State Convention was a part of this combined Convention of the Missionary Baptists of both North and South, so they asked the Board of the General Baptist to rescind the action. Two other states and a number of district associations protested also. But the Board refused. Then the Virginia Foreign Mission Society issued an address and a call for the organization of another convention.

So as a result of the question of slavery and the resolutions passed by the Board of the Northern States General Baptist Convention, and the many protests and the requests for a split, a call for another Convention to be formed, organized and named.

1845 A. D.—On May 8, 1845, in the First Baptist Church building in Augusta, Georgia, 321 representatives from Churches and Societies from eight southern states met and formed and organized and named it the SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION. So we still have this Convention going stronger and stronger in 1944.

It is interesting to note the first resolution adopted by the new Southern Baptist Convention: "Resolved . . . That for peace and harmony, and in order to accomplish the greatest amount of good, and for the maintenance of those Scriptural principles on which the General Missionary Baptist Convention of the Baptist denomination of the United States was originally formed, it is proper that this Southern Baptist Convention at once proceed to organize a Society for the propagation of the Gospel.

It is also interesting to note that the constitution adopted was precisely that of the original union and that the purpose of the Southern Baptist Convention was the same as the northern General Baptist-Triennial Convention.

When the Southern Baptist Convention pulled off from the north and south General Baptist-Triennial Convention, and was formed, organized and named into the Southern Baptist Convention on May 8, 1845, there were only 352,950 Missionary Baptists in the South.

There are more than four times as many Southern Baptists today in 1944 as there were all the Baptists of the whole world just a hundred years ago, when the Southern Baptist Convention pulled off from the north and organized. Today in 1944 there are nearly 12 million Baptists in the whole world. WHAT HATH GOD WROUGHT?

(In May, 1945, this same year and time and Convention that the Southern Baptist Convention pulled off from the northern General Baptist-Triennial Convention and formed and organized and named the newly organized Southern Baptist Convention, they also organized, formed and named the two mission boards, the *Foreign Mission Board* and the *Domestic (Home) Mission Board.* Foreign Board at Richmond, Va., and Domestic (Home) Mission Board located at Marion, Alabama, then.)

ROAN MOUNTAIN ASSOCIATION

1849—At Double Island Missionary Baptist Church in Yancey County in North Carolina.

Here is WHERE and WHEN the Mitchell County Missionary Baptist Association was first organized and first session held and first named all on October 5, 1849, at Double Island Church in Yancey County, N. C., named "ROAN MOUNTAIN ASSCIATION".

18 Churches were represented and had their letters there and read: Roan Mountain, Grassy Creek, Zion, Double Island, Bear Creek, Little Rock Creek, Three Mile, Beaver Creek, Laurel Branch, Ramsey Town, Jack's Creek, Crab Tree, New Liberty, Big Rock Creek, Bolen's Creek, Toe River Pine Grove, Cranberry. Total

membership of the churches represented was 666, (but this was not the Rev. 13:18 number, understand), but a good number: Minutes printed 500 for $7.00. Ordained ministers in the Association, 11, at this time of organization.

There were many other Associations and Churches, and individual Baptists in North Carolina, Tennessee, South Carolina, Virginia, and many, many parts of America at the time this Roan Mountain Association was organized, but the need and territory demanded this Roan Mountain Association be organized at this time.

Since this Association was organized in 1849, it has held the annual association every year, without missing a time, as you can see from the Historical Table given in this history, but also the following are special items of interest from time to time that occurred in this Association, unless otherwise stated, as follows:

(In the year 1870 Southern Missionary Baptists of the Southern Baptist Convention began their Foreign Mission work in EUROPE. The first center of evangelism in Europe was in Italy where George Boardman Taylor, the pioneer missionary labored for to spread the gospel and win souls to the Lord Jesus.)

(At the time of the outbreak of the second World War, in 1941, the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention had only eleven missionaries in all of Europe . . . two in Italy, one in Hungary, four in Rumania, two in Yugoslavia, and two in Spain. In 1944 our only representative in Europe was Mrs. Nils Bengtson of Barcelona, Spain, who, being a native of neutral Sweden, is allowed to remain.'

(December 29, 1943, the last dollar of the old 6 and half million dollar debt was paid. Now for the first time within the memory of any man we can say as a whole the Southern Baptist Convention is out of debt, the Southwide debts are now all paid, and "We owe no man anything save love.)

(It was suggested each person pray each day for God to stop this awful World War 2.)

(Mitchell County population in 1940 was 15,980. Avery County was 13,561. Yancey County was 17,202.)

I desire to pause long enough here, in relating this History, to give due recognition to Mr. and Mrs. Rafe Johnson; Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Johnson; to the Sunday School Board and the Southern Baptist Convention of Nashville, Tenn.; to the North Carolina Baptist State Convention of Raleigh, N. C.; to Mitchell County Baptist Association; to Wake Forest College, Wake Forest, N. C.; to the thirty churches of this Association, and to the pastors and many others for their valuable records and assistance in this great undering of this History.

And while gathering this history the writer met many other

fine Baptist people from different sections and was made to believe that the people as a whole have never yet realized what fine people belong to the Missionary Baptist Church. They are a people that have a future, a people that have a leader, a people that have a conviction and principles and faith and doctrines and practices that are a living reality, worth while and worthy of the best and for the best. I am glad I am a Missionary Baptist, glad I belong to the Baptist Church and love it. I find of the very best and of the very finest people on the whole earth belong to the Missionary Baptist Church. It looks like everybody would want to be a Baptist. Everybody ought to have the best, love the best, be the best. The Lord loves such.

Even the over nineteen hundred years of Christian history of Baptist position, doctrines, principles and practice have been chronicled since Jesus came from Heaven to earth, born in a baby form, lived and grew into manhood, was water baptized of John the Baptist in the river Jordan when around 30 years of age, began the Missionary Baptist movement, headed the Church on earth, laid her foundation, became the chief corner stone of the living building, became the solid rock on which she stands and grows, suffered at the hands of men, was crucified by men, died, and after 3 days rose from among the dead as the first fruits and the first one to rise never again to die, then after 40 days more ascended to Heaven to intervene for His church followers.

Baptists are still Baptists. Yet Baptists are much misunderstood. We are not as ignorant, prejudiced, narrow and supersectarian as some other denominations claim we are. The exact reverse is true. The Missionary Baptists' position is as broad as the New Testament, but no broader. And as deep as the soul, and as high as the Heavens and as good as Jesus makes it.

The distinctive, plain, characteristic Missionary Baptist Principles, Doctrines, Faith, Tenets, Belief held and maintained as fundamental truth.

With the Practice, Form, Use, Act, Exercise as a profession. Are those Doctrines and Practices which distinguish us Baptists from other Christian denominations.

It is the aim, effort, practice, and faith of the Baptists in every age to adjust the people to fit the New Testament and not attempt to adjust the New Testament to fit the people regardless whether foreign or home, rich or poor, bond or free, learned or unlearned.

Plainly, lucidly and lovingly are set forth those distinctive, plain, characteristic, doctrinal principles that have characterized and identified the Baptists from the beginning at Christ until 1944, in form, practice and profession in exercise.

It is the New Testament that is the only law of Christianity—of us Missionary Baptists.

All the New Testament is the "Law of Christianity"— of Baptists.

The New Testament is all the "Law of Christianity—of Baptists."

The New Testament has always been and will always be ALL the "Law of Christianity—and of the Missionary Baptists."

May you find much to interest and to edify you herein, but it is a matter of deep regret that the limits of money and space herein are not sufficient to enable the writer to incorporate additional discussion on the great distinctive, plain, characteristic doctrines and practices that have ever been held and practiced and loved by us Baptists. Although enough is given herein to acquaint the Church, Home, and individual with what we believe and practice and to equip our own Baptists with the highest and most luminous expression of our Missionary, over nineteen hundred years old, N. T. Biblical, Baptist principles, doctrines and practices.

We do not deny the inspiration or profit of the Old Testament, nor do we deny that the New is a development of the Old. It affirms the Old as typical and was fulfilled by Christ, and as a standard of law and a way of life was nailed to the cross of Christ and so taken out of the way. The principle teaches that we should not go to the Old to find Christian law or Christian Institutions or Christian Church—the Baptist Church, its members, or its ordinances, or its government, or its officers, or its sacrifices, or its worship, or its mission or its future or history.

The New T. is the only law for Christian institutions. We believe the Church with all that pertains to it is strictly a New Testament institution. We do not deny the circumcision of infants under the Old law, but we do deny the baptism of infants under the New Testament Church age. The New T. alone must define the office and function of the elder in the Christian church. Christ himself appointed its Apostles and its first seventy elders. We shut the Old T. out and shut ourselves up to the New T. teaching concerning the bishop, elder, Preachers.

Christ himself set up His kingdom, established his Church, gave us Christian law, and the man whom He inspired furnished us the only reliable record of these Church institutions. These holy men had no successors in inspiration. The N. T. record is complete. Prophecy and vision have ceased. Let no man dare to add to the N. T. or take from it, or dilute it, or substitute for it. It is written. It is finished.

The sole responsibility of decision and action rests directly on the individual soul. Each must give account of himself to God.

This is the first principle of New Testament law—to bring each naked soul face to face with God. When the first Baptist voice of John the Baptist broke the silence of four hundred years it startled the world with its appeal to individuality. It was the first step of Christianity. Family ties count nothing. Greek culture nothing. Roman citizenship nothing. Circumcision nothing. O soul, thou art alone before God. Thy right of private judgment is the crown jewel of thy humanity. Individual Churches are time organizations. and are punished in time, they do not stand before the great white throne of Judgment in groups, but thy soul shall appear before the Judge.

FREEDOM OF CONSCIENCE, unlimited freedom of mind, follows individual responsibility, one must be responsible for himself. God's people are volunteers, not conscripts. There was not a government in the world in history that allowed full liberty of conscience to all man until a Baptist established the colony of Rhode Island, where no civil power was exercised over men's consciences.

WATER BAPTISM is not essential to salvation, but Salvation is essential to water Baptism and Church membership in a Baptist body. The feet of no other denomination in Christendom rests on this plank—blood before water. This is a distinct Baptist principle and doctrine that eliminates infant baptism and membership and locates the believer's remission of sins in the fountain of blood instead of the fountain of water. Salvation must precede ordinances. We get into Christ by faith, Christ gets into us by the Holy Spirit, thus the Holy Spirit puts Christ in us. "I in you and you in me."

Baptists do not bury the living sinner to kill him to sin, but they bury those already dead to sin.

CHURCH: Each congregation is a complete temple in itself, and has final jurisdiction over all its affairs. This is the church to which grievances must be told and whose decision is final. Our general bodies and associations are purely voluntary, and composed of individuals, not churches. They are solely for counsel and cooperation, they possess no ecclesiastical powers. Church is a pure democracy, indeed, it is the only one in the world. All its members are equal fellow-citizens, and the majority decides. It is of the members, for the members, by the members. Church is the supreme court in Christ's kingdom. It is under law to Christ. Christ is the only lawmaker and the New Testament is His law for the Church.

Officers of the church are(bishops), preachers and deacons, the first charged with spiritualities and the second with temporalities.

Ordinances of the church are two: Baptism and Lord's Supper. Church is a spiritual body; separated from the state; is a particular single congregation and not an organized denomination; it is a pure democracy, is Christ's executive and judiciary on earth;

its officers are bishops and deacons chosen by the local church body; its ordinances are baptism and the Lord's Supper; its head is Christ; its body is Baptised individual believers; its future is Heaven; its written guide is N. T.

There are in 1944 year, 20 states included in this SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION territory of ours: Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, California, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, Missouri, New Mexico, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia.

The first and oldest state Convention in the Southern Baptist Convention is Georgia State Convention, organized in 1822; Alabama and Virginia both in 1823; North Carolina in 1830; Missouri in 1834; Maryland and Mississippi both in 1836; Kentucky in 1837; Texas, Arkansas, and Louisiana in 1848; Tennessee in 1874. So you see only 3 states were organized before our N. C. Convention was organized, and just 8 years before N. C. Convention.

Southern Baptists are now the largest body of any Baptists in the world.

Southern Baptists have made the largest growth in number of any evangelical denomination in the world.

Southern Baptists have made the largest net gain in Sunday School enrollment for the last generation, and also have the largest body of young people in systematic Christian training. Are thoroughly organized, and have a Co-operative Program embracing all their co-operative work at home and abroad, and are a people of strong faith with vast but undeveloped resources and infinite possibilities and have made an enviable record in paying their debts ahead of time and one hundred cents on the dollar, and in 1944 are out of debt.

With these reasons guiding them, Baptists from time to time have published Declarations and Confessions. They have not been identical but have been in approximate harmony with each other.

The Old London Confession of faith was adopted in 1689, in England.

Here in the U. S., in Philadelphia, Pa., the Philadelphia Baptist Association adopted the Philadelphia Confession of Faith in 1742, and was printed by Benjamin Franklin in 1743. It was with some modifications, but a reproduction of the Old London Confession of Faith that they adopted back in 1689.

Later on in the year 1800 this Philadelphia Baptist Association Confession of Faith still was the prevalent standard of faith.

The Missionary Baptist State Convention of the State of New Hampshire on June 24, 1830, through a Special Selected Missionary Baptist Committee headed by Dr. J. Newton Brown, decided to put

in print and so wrote the Missionary Baptist Confession of Faith or Declaration of Faith and from it they wrote only 16 Articles of Faith, of course, this Special Committee on Missionary Baptists had labored two or three years to get it into 16 articles of Faith and so submitted the 16 Articles of Faith. This Declaration of Faith in these 16 Articles of Faith was adopted by this New Hampshire Missionary Baptist Convention and has been adopted by more Missionary Baptist Churches than any other Declaration in the World.

It is not a creed to be binding, but a Declaration of 16 Articles of Faith of what we Missionary Baptists believe the Scriptures teach. Since the Scriptures only are binding upon Missionary Baptists.

The Scriptures furnish an adequate defense of our Missionary Baptist Doctrine. The use of the Scriptures for this purpose should convince that our Doctrine, Faith, Beliefs, Principles and Practices are important and are Scriptural.

Only 16 of our Articles of Faith were written and adopted on June 24, 1830 by the New Hampshire State Convention of Missionary Baptists.

Then in 1853 these same 16 Articles of Faith contained in the New Hampshire Declaration of Faith was revised. This time also the Committee was headed by the same Dr. J. Newton Brown that acted as head and chairman of the Special Committee back in 1830 and now added two other Articles, one on "REPENTANCE AND FAITH", the other on "SANCTIFICATION", making the 18 Articles of Faith.

Then in 1924 the Southern Baptist Convention appointed a Special Committee consisting of E. Y. Mullins, Chairman; S. M. Brown; W. J. McGlothlin; E. C. Dargan; L. R. Scarborough to consider the advisability of issuing in print a statement of the "Baptist Faith and Message." This committee presented its report. It was read by Dr. E. Y. Mullins, President of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, at Louisville, Ky.

So the Southern Baptist Convention at Memphis, Tenn., adopted this important denominational Declaration of Faith revised at certain points and with some additional Articles growing out of present needs, making a total of 25 articles in our Missionary Baptist Declaration of Faith which we now have in the year 1944.

(These 25 Articles of the Baptist Faith which are most surely held among us are not intended to add anything to the simple conditions of salvation revealed in the New Testament, viz., repentance towards God and faith in Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord. Christianity is supernatural in its origin and history so is Salvation.)

All these 25 Articles of Missionary Baptist Faith were itemized in the 1943 Minutes, also the Church Covenant was given, so be

sure to read the 1943 minutes, because there is much history and information about who we Baptists are and where we have been and what we believe and what we are doing and where we are going. I would have repeated those 25 Articles of Faith and also the Baptist History that is in the 1943 minutes and printed it in this 1944 minutes, but due to war conditions printing is so hard to get done and so high that it was far too costly to repeat it again this year, but we hope to link it up with this and with some other valuable information later on, that the printers forced us to leave out this year, but we will print it after the war. Be sure to borrow a 1943 minute, if you did not get one. Due to war conditions we were forced to leave out of this minute much that is in the 1943 minute and much we would love to have repeated and gotten in this minute. So we will get it all in the minutes soon after the war. Until then borrow a 1943 minute. It goes with and is a part of this 1944 minute. It sure is good. It is about you and yours and other Missionary Baptist people.

Dear Baptist Brethren:

After 1900 years of Missionary Baptist History of successes and hardships, persecutions and trails of Missionary Baptist martyrs who have paid the supreme price and testified by their sacrificial death to their faith and principles of the New Testament. And after much hard work, months of searching, sacrifice, time and expense of the writer and co-operation of many others, I have finished and herein given to you and to yours this which I have compiled and edited this much this far of the work assigned to me by the Mitchell County Missionary Baptist Association in the 1944 session.

Herein is an exceeding amount of that part of the celebrated, much cherished, practiced, loved and desired, by both young and old of Baptists, of the historic information of the Mitchell County Missionary Baptist Associations from the time it was first organized and first named and held the first Association on October 5, 1849, to 1944. Also much other valuable information and history on Missionary Baptist History and Baptist Doctrines.

May "The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Ghost be with you all," both now and forevermore." 2 Cor. 13:14.

Respectfully submitted,

REVEREND FRANK PARSONS, *Historian*

TABLE ONE — CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

CHUHCHES	Town, Vill., Country	When Constituted	PASTORS AND POST OFFICES	Days of Meeting	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP											Weekly Prayer Meet's	Revivals Held, Year	Obs. Lord's Supper	Fam. Rec Bapt. Paper
					GAINS							LOSSES							
					Memb. Last Year	Baptisms	Letters	Statements	Restorations	Letters	Exclusions	Erasures	Deaths	Non-Res. Memb.	Tot. Pres. Mem.				
Altapass	C	....	G. H. Glass, Minpro	2 3	84	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	83	...	1	1	...
Bad Creek	C	1932	Floyd Ledford, Bakersville, Rt.	3	64	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	68	...	1	...	...
Bakersville	T	....	Roy D. Campbell, Bakersville	4	179	...	2	...	...	2	...	...	1	...	181	...	...	3	...
Bear Creek	C	1830	J. H. Henline, Bakersville	2 4	347	1	...	...	2	5	...	...	...	...	355	...	1	1	...
Beaver Creek	C	1916	C. A. Buchanan, Toecane, Rt.	4	114	8	4	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	118	2	1	...	...
Berry's Chapel	C	....	C. A. Buchanan, Toecane, Rt.	2 4	179	3	3	...	...	...	...	1	2	...	182	1	1	1	...
Big Crabtree	C	1920	W. M. Turbyfill, Clarissa	2	79	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	81	...	1	1	...
Big Rock Creek	C	....	Floyd Ledford, Bakersville, Rt.	2	33	3	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	32	1	1	1	...
Black Mountain	C	1886	G. H. Glass, Minpro	2 4	145	11	...	...	...	6	...	...	...	...	150	1	1	1	...
Cane Creek	C	1876	J. Astor Buchanan, Bakersville	4	225	12	...	...	...	8	...	3	2	...	227	...	1	1	...
Central Bap. S. P.	T	1932	W. T. Bancom, Spruce Pine	4	140	2	8	...	...	5	...	...	...	13	115	1	1	4	37
Chestnut Grove	C	1923	J. L. Street, Nebo, Rt. 2	2	161	...	...	...	2	3	...	...	...	6	144	...	1	...	...
Cub Creek	C	1871	Roy Campbell, Bakersville	2 4	198	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	3	...	196	1	1	...	...
First Bap. S. P.	T	1908	Roy D. Keller, Spruce Pine	4	276	13	19	...	...	5	...	...	6	...	297	1	1	2	17
Fork Mountain	C	1856	Floyd Ledford, Bakersville	2	189	1	...	1	...	...	3	...	3	...	183	1	1	1	...
Grassy Creek	C	....	W. F. McMahan, Marion	1 3	251	29	5	...	...	4	...	...	2	...	277	1	1	1	...
Kona Baptist Church	C	1944	Philip Hightower	1	...	4	8	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	14	...	...	...	...
Liberty Hill	C	1866	J. C. Brown, Cranberry	4	322	7	2	...	...	3	...	1	1	...	326	1	2	2	...
Lily Branch	C	1860	W. M. Turbyfill, Clarissa	4	228	8	1	...	...	3	2	...	2	...	230	1	1	3	...
Little Rock Creek	C	....	Frank B. Hopkins, Bakersville	1	128	6	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	134	1	1	1	1
Mine Creek	C	1849	C. A. Buchanan, Toecane, Rt.	1 3	207	14	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	219	1	1	1	...
McKinney Cove	C	1888	Eules Adkins, Ramsey Town	2	130	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	131	1	1	1	...
Mt. Carmel	C	1923	J. C. Brown, Cranberry	1 2	194	3	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	199	1	2	1	...
Pine Branch	C	1923	Bruce Buchanan, Clarrissa	2 4	395	33	4	...	...	8	...	...	3	...	110	1	1	1	...
Rebels Creek	C	....	W. S. Woody, Spruce Pine	2	120	7	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	127	1	1	1	...
Roan Mountain	C	1845	J. H. Henline, Bakersville	1 3	311	3	7	...	...	2	...	...	4	...	322	1	2	1	...
Silver Chapel	C	1885	Roy D. Campbell, Bakersville	1	220	...	...	...	...	7	...	...	2	...	211	...	1	1	...
Snow Hill	C	1915	C. A. Buchanan, Toecane, Rt.	2 4	169	5	6	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	180	1	1	1	...
Spring Creek	..	....	No report	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Toecane	C	1916	Frank Parsons, Toecane	2 4	83	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	84	1	2	1	...
White Oak	C	1884	J. H. Henline, Bakersville	1	159	16	...	...	...	4	...	...	3	...	168	1	1	...	...
TOTALS	..	....	....	...	5324	204	...	...	...	...	...	...	43	...	5479	...	32	...	...

TABLE TWO — SUNDAY SCHOOLS

CHURCHES	SECRETARY Rev. Frank Parsons ASSOCIATIOINAL SUPT. J. Astor Buchanan, Bakersville SUPERINTENDENTS AND POST OFFICES	Cradle Roll, Under 3	Beginners, 3-5 Years	Primaries, 6-8 Years	Juniors, 9-12 Years	Intermediates, 13-16	Young People, 17-24	Adults, 25 and Up	Extension Dept.	Gen., Dep't'al Officers	Total Enrollment	What Is Av. Attend.?	Is School Graded?	Teachers Holding Dip.	Enrollment Vac. Sch.	Av. Att. Vac. School
Altapass	Deward Hefner, Altapass	...	...	5	6	8	...	12	...	6	50	35	...	...	...	...
Bad Creek	Earl Burleson, Honeycutt	7	10	9	...	...	12	9	...	...	47	30	...	...	...	...
Bakersville	W. C. Berry, Bakersville	18	15	17	19	13	17	30	...	3	132	67	...	...	...	...
Bear Creek	Jeff Willis, Toecane, Rt.	...	15	15	40	45	...	82	...	2	199	150	...	...	...	...
Beaver Creek	M. B. Sparks	...	16	8	8	20	...	30	...	9	91	90	...	...	...	...
Berry's Chapel	Wm. Greene, Spruce Pine	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12	109	69	...	...	...	...
Big Crabtree	John Burleson, Boonford	7	8	5	5	10	14	12	...	2	70	60	...	...	...	...
Big Rock Creek	Jerome Buchanan, Ewart	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	61	40	...	...	30	25
Black Mountain	C. G. Willis, Little Switzerland	4	12	10	15	12	16	20	...	...	89	45	...	...	...	...
Cane Creek	Bert Metcalf, Hawk	...	...	16	16	...	35	33	...	2	102	90	...	...	...	...
Central Bap. S. P.	Geo. W. Greene, Spruce Pine	8	10	8	10	13	7	30	12	13	111	...	*	...	102	82
Chestnut Grove	Athen Hollifield, Little Switzerland	10	7	11	12	18	15	15	3	...	91	50	...	...	...	...
Cub Creek	Maude Bennett, Toecane	...	5	12	14	16	10	20	...	...	77	50	...	...	...	...
First Bap. S. P.	Ed. W. Young, Spruce Pine	...	34	21	38	27	27	51	...	16	214	105	...	7	45	40
Fork Mountain	Park Whitson, Bakersville	...	...	10	15	15	15	20	...	5	87	75	...	...	...	...
Grassy Creek	Bill McKinney, Spruce Pine	8	10	10	51	49	40	47	...	...	215	195	...	...	...	...
Kona Baptist Church	....	...	...	...	...	...	...	14	...	...	14	14	...	...	...	...
Liberty Hill	Clifton Buchanan, Estatoe	...	22	16	23	26	28	54	...	...	169	106	...	...	...	...
Lily Branch	F. O. Phillips, Wing	8	16	...	12	22	35	42	...	4	139	66	...	...	...	...
Little Rock Creek	Mrs. J. J. Blevins	6	10	20	25	20	18	30	...	...	129	63	...	...	...	...
Mine Creek	Jeter Grindstaff, Bakersville	10	19	12	25	23	50	40	...	6	185	68	...	...	...	...
McKinney Cove	Willard Wilson, Bakersville	...	15	...	15	...	12	40	...	...	82	...	...	...	...	...
Mt. Carmel	Waits Pitman, Spruce Pine	...	30	...	30	...	30	45	...	2	137	110	...	...	...	...
Pine Branch	Joe Young, Minpro	...	12	10	27	42	43	39	...	13	186	141	...	...	...	...
Rebels Creek	Clarence Willis, Boonford	...	15	...	15	15	20	20	...	...	85	70	...	...	...	...
Roan Mountain	Clarence Johnson, Rt.	...	...	14	8	20	15	15	67	12	151	102	...	...	...	...
Silver Chapel	Bryan Robinson, Bandana	...	30	20	10	25	30	...	...	...	115	80	...	...	...	...
Snow Hill	Ernest Johnson, Toecane, Rt.	...	10	15	20	15	18	50	...	3	131	98	...	...	...	...
Spring Creek	No Report	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Toecane	T. T. Johnson	...	...	7	8	12	15	36	...	12	90	50	...	...	...	...
White Oak	W. J. Henline, Toecane, Rt.	...	...	7	8	12	15	36	...	12	90	60	...	...	...	...
TOTALS		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3700	...	...	...	...	...

TABLE THREE — BAPTIST TRAINING UNION

CHURCHES	TRAINING UNION DIRECTORS AND POST OFFICES	Adult Unions	Young People's Unions	Intermediate Unions	Junior Unions	Story Hours	Tot Unions, Story Hrs.	Adults Enrolled	Young People Enrolled	Intermediates Enrolled	Juniors Enrolled	Story Hours Enrolled	Tot. Enr., Un. St. Hrs.	No. Daily Bible Read's	No. taking Study C'rse	Tot. Systematic Givers	Students In College	Gen., Dept'al Officers
Bakersville S. P.	Mrs. G. D. Wilson	...	1	1	1	1	4	...	10	15	12	6	43	...	...	...	6	8
Central Baptist S. P.	Mrs. Bell Parker	1	...	1	1	...	3	12	...	17	9	...	38	16	25	34	5	6
First Baptist S. P.	G. E. Ross, S. P.	1	1	1	1	1	5	16	14	11	10	8	59	20	33	59	...	14
Grassy Creek	Marie Collis, S. P.	1	...	1	1	...	4	6	9	10	12	...	37	12	37	...	...	...
Little Rock Creek	Frank B. Hopkins	1	...	1	1	...	3	10	...	15	20	...	45	21	...	19	...	10
Pine Branch	Frank Brown, Minpro.	...	1	1	1	...	3	...	35	25	15	...	75	17	...	6	...	...
Toecane	Edith Johnson, Toecane	1	1	...	...	...	2	15	15	...	...	...	30	15	...	20	...	6
TOTALS		5	5	6	6	2	24	59	83	93	78	14	327	...	...	...	...	...

TABLE FOUR — W. M. U. ORGANIZATIONS AND GIFTS

CHURCHES	PRESIDENTS OF W. M. S. AND POST OFFICES	Number W. M. S.	Number of Y W. A.'s	Number of G. A.'s	Number of R. A.'s	Number of Sunbeams	Total W. M. U. Orgs.	W. M. S. Members	Y. W. A.'s Members	G. A.'s Members	R. A.'s Members	Sunbeam Members	Tot. Members Enr'd.	Tot. Enr. Mis. St. C'rse.	Contributions (Local Work) by W. M. U.	Contributions (Missions) by W. M. U.
Bakersville	Mrs. W. C. Berry, Bakersville	1	...	1	...	1	3	5	...	...	...	...	5	5	.....	79.80
Central Baptist, S. P.	Mrs. Ed Willis, S. P.	1	...	...	...	...	1	32	...	...	...	...	32	12	950.00	400.00
First Baptist S. P.	Mrs. N. G. Pittman, S. P.	1	1	...	...	1	3	12	8	...	...	15	35	20	.....	589.40
Grassy Creek	Mrs. James Hall, S. P.	1	...	...	...	1	2	15	...	...	...	15	30	12	.....	208.60
Pine Branch	Mrs. Hattie Rhyne, Minpro	1	...	...	...	...	1	8	...	...	...	...	8	...	2.00	19.40
TOTALS	....	5	1	1	...	3	10	72	8	...	...	30	110	...	952.00	1297.20

TABLE FIVE — CHURCH PROPERTY

CHURCHES	CHURCH CLERKS AND POST OFFICES	Does your Church Own House of Worship?	When Was It Built?	What Materials Were Used?	No. Persons Seated	Number of Rooms	Dept. Assembly Rooms	No. Sep. Class Rooms	Value Church House and Grounds	Value Pastor's Home	Total Value All Church Property	Indebtedness on All Church Property	Amount of Insurance Carried
Altapass	R. L. Hefner, Altapass	Yes	1925	Wood	300	1	2	...	1200.00	....	.....	...	....
Bad Creek	Mrs. Nora Garland, Bakersville	Yes	1944	Wood	200	1	...	...	1200.00	....	.....	...	....
Bakersville	Mrs. J. C. McBee, Bakersville	Yes	1927	Brick	500	12	1	10	10000.00	....	.....	...	7000
Bear Creek	Homer Buchanan, Toecane, Rt.	Yes	1926	Wood	400	3	...	2	9500.00	....	.....	...	3000
Beaver Creek	Mrs. Grace Burleson, S. P.	Yes	1916	Wood	350	1	...	...	2000.00	....	.....	...	....
Berry's Chapel	Lizzie Woody, S. P., Rt. 1	Yes	1934	Wood	300	1	...	...	2000.00	....	.....	...	2000
Big Crabtree	C. A. Ledford, Estatoe	Yes	1926	Wood	400	1	6	6	1500.00	....	.....	...	....
Big Rock Creek	Alma H. Whitson, Honeycutt	Yes	1894	Wood	300	1	1	...	1000.00	....	.....	...	....
Black Mountain	Reid Queen, Little Switzerland	Yes	1886	Wood	200	1	2	...	1500.00	....	.....	...	....
Cane Creek	J. Ralph Greene, Hawk	Yes	1906	Wood	500	1	...	...	1000.00	....	.....	...	....
Central Bap. S. P.	Rom B. Sparks, S. P.	Yes	1932	Stone	300	10	2	8	9000.00	....	.....	156	2000
Chestnut Grove	Bernice McKinney, Little Switzerland	Yes	1923	Wood	225	1	...	7	1500.00	....	.....	...	....
Cub Creek	C. L. Hoilman, Bakersville, Rt.	Yes	1939	Brick	400	1	...	11	8530.00	....	.....	...	....
First Bap. S. P.	Ed W. Young, Spruce Pine	Yes	1939	Stone	450	4	...	3	26000.00	2500	28500	...	....
Fork Mountain	T. C. Cooke, Bakersville	Yes	1903	Wood	200	1	...	1	1000.00	....	.....	...	....
Grassy Creek	Edith Collis, Spruce Pine	Yes	1928	Brick	500	8	10	...	12776.64	....	.....	...	....
Kona Baptist Church	Savannah Thomas, Kona	Yes	1943	Wood	150	1	1	...	1000.00	....	.....	...	....
Liberty Hill	J. C. Hoyle, Estatoe	Yes	1926	Brick	500	1	...	...	15000.00	....	.....	...	....
Lily Branch	Zella Murdock, Toecane, Rt.	Yes	1939	Stone	450	1	...	...	11000.00	....	.....	...	....
Little Rock Creek	Mrs. J. J. Blevins, Bakersville, Rt.	Yes	....	Wood	300	1	...	...	2065.00	....	.....	...	....
Mine Creek	Mrs. Belle Greene, Toecane	Yes	1928	Wood	300	1	...	...	3000.00	....	.....	...	....
McKinney Cove	W. A. McKinney, Bakersville	Yes	1910	Wood	250	1	...	...	2000.00	....	.....	...	....
Mt. Carmel	Elma Pitman, Spruce Pine	Yes	1923	Wood	300	1	...	...	1200.00	....	.....	...	....
Pine Branch	Thomas Rhyne, Minpro	Yes	1923	Wood	350	1	...	...	3000.00	....	.....	...	2000
Rebels Creek	Mrs. Hubert Willis, Boonford	Yes	1940	Wood	200	1	...	...	1700.00	....	.....	...	....
Roan Mountain	Clarence Johnson, Bakersville	Yes	1909	Wood	600	4	4	5	5000.00	....	.....	...	2000
Silver Chapel	Mrs. Walter Hensley, Bandana	Yes	....	Wood	300	1	...	...	3500.00	....	.....	...	....
Snow Hill	S. J. Blalock, Toecane, Rt.	Yes	1915	Wood	500	1	...	...	3000.00	....	.....	...	....
Spring Creek	.....	....	....	.....	...	...	...	...	.....	....	.....	...	....
Toecane	Bob Johnson, Toecane	Yes	1916	Wood	400	1	...	...	1400.00	....	.....	...	....
White Oak	A. B. Wilson, Toecane, Rt.	Yes	1884	Wood	250	1	...	...	3000.00	....	.....	...	2000
TOTALS	....		....	.....	...	...	...	...	145571.64	....	.....	156	....

TABLE SIX — GIFTS FOR LOCAL CHURCH WORK

CHURCHES	REGULAR TREASURERS AND POST OFFICES	Pastor's Salary Paid This Year	Other Salaries	Ministerial Help and Supply	Building and Repairs Spent This Year	Church Debt and Interest	Incidentals	Literature for Church Use, S. S., Etc.	Help Given to Local Poor	For Printing Minutes and Clerk of Ass'n.	Other Objects	Total, Local Purposes, Given by Church and All Its Organizations
Altapass	H. A. Hefner, Altapass	299.85	.....	40.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.00	.....	341.85
Bad Creek	Monroe Yelton, Bakersville	69.63	.....	33.00	1200.00	.....	2.00	13.92	3.30	.....	.....	1321.91
Bakersville	E. H. Poteat, Bakersville	1175.00	.....	.....	.....	147.91	363.20	100.75	10.00	5.00	143.47	1945.33
Bear Creek	Jessie Buchanan, Toecane, Rt.	554.70	.....	.....	.....	.....	29.42	96.00	446.65	10.00	57.80	1194.46
Beaver Creek	L. H. Hunter, Spruce Pine	304.61	.....	81.70	26.15	.....	72.94	65.65	80.53	5.00	16.37	652.95
Berry's Chapel	Mr. Crown Buchanan, S. P.	712.52	141.84	.....	.....	125.00	55.00	42.48	134.48	3.00	75.78	1290.10
B. Crabtree	Wash Gurley, Boonford	83.90	.....	51.50	.....	.....	13.80	48.00	13.60	2.25	.....	213.05
Big Rock Creek	T. C. Green, Ewart	195.59	.....	.....	11.65	.....	.....	38.96	.....	2.25	.....	248.45
Black Mountain	Reid Queen, Little Switzerland	446.96	51.50	99.75	.....	.....	44.65	26.65	44.00	2.25	62.05	777.81
Cane Creek	Louise Greene, Hawk	318.50	.....	101.70	.....	.....	62.00	69.19	93.10	5.00	24.00	673.49
Central Bap. S. P.	A. E. Buchanan, Spruce Pine	2101.00	122.50	100.00	36.51	952.65	209.75	117.50	.....	7.50	174.36	3821.77
Chestnut Grove	Fred Self, Little Switzerland	358.69	.....	25.00	.....	.....	.....	29.00	.....	3.00	.....	415.69
Cub Creek	A. L. Hollman, Bakersville, Rt.	212.50	.....	175.00	.....	.....	107.00	42.00	5.00	3.00	.....	544.50
First Bap. S. P.	Arl Burleson, Spruce Pine	1196.00	.....	100.00	3663.00	221.00	472.00	139.00	.....	10.00	74.00	5875.00
Fork Mountain	T. C. Cooke, Bakersville, Rt.	175.57	.....	77.94	16.00	.....	36.00	20.00	16.05	2.00	.....	343.56
Grassy Creek	T. W. Dale, Spruce Pine	600.00	10.00	135.00	499.10	.....	100.97	123.78	.....	5.00	32.69	1506.54
Kona Baptist Church	Geneza Silver, Kona	120.00	.....	.....	800.00	.....	.....	20.00	.....	5.00	.....	945.00
Liberty Hill	R. G. Thomas, Spruce Pine	825.00	.....	280.00	388.59	.....	165.28	267.40	.....	4.00	.....	1930.27
Lily Branch	John Muraback, Toecane, Rt.	156.23	.....	70.00	170.23	.....	58.81	48.27	12.72	5.34	614.88	1136.51
Little Rock Creek	C. J. Blevins, Bakersville, Rt.	666.64	.....	118.40	.....	.....	50.84	98.47	7.30	3.00	.....	944.65
Pine Creek	Mrs. Landon Davis, Toecane	419.02	.....	62.60	47.00	.....	34.25	58.75	9.00	3.00	108.87	734.49
McKinney Cove	W. A. McKinney, Bakersville	336.56	.....	.....	100.00	.....	85.39	31.45	.....	2.00	41.24	596.64
Mt. Carmel	Chesley Thomas, Kalmia	495.00	25.15	117.18	285.27	.....	113.25	73.63	9.28	.....	13.00	1041.76
Pine Branch	Earnest Jones, Minpro	581.11	216.45	55.39	250.47	.....	150.38	132.79	161.61	5.00	96.53	1679.73
Rebels Creek	Fred Jarrett, Boonford	220.00	.....	43.60	.....	.....	88.77	.....	.....	2.00	.....	354.37
Roan Mountain	Mrs. Mable P. Young, Clarissa	300.00	.....	117.80	86.20	.....	123.50	71.87	88.33	10.18	64.93	862.81
Silver Chapel	Reita Gibson, Bandana	240.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	100.39	48.53	36.42	2.00	64.00	461.25
Snow Hill	Nora Tipton, Toecane, Rt.	305.39	.....	122.25	98.17	.....	86.85	42.59	74.25	4.00	46.89	780.39
Spring Creek	No report	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Toecane	Homer Johnson, Toecane	421.48	191.42	166.58	.....	.....	44.80	38.44	.....	3.51	16.00	882.23
White Oak	W. C. Wilson, Toecane, Rt.	142.46	.....	114.14	.....	.....	121.44	.....	.....	2.00	28.00	408.04
TOTALS	....	13904.99	788.86	2289.53	7678.34	1446.56	2792.59	1905.07	1245.52	118.28	1754.86	23924.60

TABLE SEVEN — GIFTS FOR MISSIONS, EDUCATION AND ALL BENEVOLENCES

CHURCHES	Total to Co-operative Program	Special to State Missions	Special to Home Missions	Special to Foreign Missions	Special to Schools and Colleges	Special to Orphanage	Special to Hospitals	Special to Ministers' Retirement Fund	Red Cross and Foreign Relief	Other Objects	Total Given for Missions and Benevolences by Church and All Its Departments	Grand Total, All Purposes, Given by the Church and Its Orgs.
Altapass	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15.00	15.00	.....	.....	.....	30.00	371.85
Bad Creek	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3.23	.....	.....	.....	3.23	1325.14
Bakersville	33.00	9.00	4.70	44.00	.....	149.62	84.16	.....	64.00	.....	388.48	2333.81
Bear Creek	25.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	222.13	35.70	.....	38.02	57.80	378.65	1573.11
Beaver Creek	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30.50	15.61	.....	46.88	.....	92.99	745.94
Berry's Chapel	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	40.00	26.52	.....	.....	.....	66.52	1356.62
Big Crabtree	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	213.05
Big Rock Creek	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	19.17	.....	.....	.....	19.17	267.62
Black Mountain	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	157.00	14.00	.....	15.15	.....	186.15	963.96
Cane Creek	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25.18	41.36	.....	19.00	12.70	98.24	771.73
Central Bap. S. P.	477.11	38.91	25.10	37.00	23.00	138.29	43.71	52.65	50.34	96.00	982.11	4803.88
Chestnut Grove	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	16.00	18.65	.....	.....	.....	34.65	450.34
Cub Creek	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50.00	.....	.....	114.40	.....	164.40	708.90
First Bap. S. P.	702.00	10.00	13.00	66.00	.....	141.00	119.00	46.00	12.00	44.00	1153.00	7028.00
Fork Mountain	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15.00	16.50	.....	16.00	.....	47.50	391.06
Grassy Creek	16.60	40.00	110.00	57.00	.....	50.00	48.00	.....	.....	.....	321.60	1828.14
Kona Baptist Church	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	945.00
Liberty Hill	75.00	.....	70.27	.....	.....	306.49	88.34	.....	.....	.....	540.10	2470.37
Lily Branch	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	16.19	26.00	.....	.....	.....	42.19	1178.70
Little Rock Creek	.....	11.52	6.39	9.66	.....	13.91	20.00	.....	.....	6.49	67.97	1012.62
Mine Creek	6.81	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	18.19	.....	.....	.....	25.00	759.49
McKinney Cove	.....	.....	.....	28.37	.....	83.03	25.00	.....	55.00	.....	191.40	788.04
Mt. Carmel	25.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	25.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	50.00	1091.76
Pine Branch	44.00	.....	2.00	19.40	.....	359.55	40.00	.....	.....	16.87	481.82	2161.55
Rebels Creek	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	115.44	.....	.....	57.45	.....	172.89	527.26
Roan Mountain	40.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	103.83	26.00	.....	12.76	.....	182.59	1045.40
Silver Chapel	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30.00	.....	.....	33.00	.....	63.00	524.25
Snow Hill	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	23.59	.....	.....	.....	.....	23.59	803.98
Spring Creek	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Toecane	.....	8.83	5.00	5.95	.....	77.02	18.23	.....	.....	.....	115.03	997.26
White Oak	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	14.17	.....	5.14	.....	19.31	427.35
TOTALS	1444.52	118.26	236.46	267.38	23.00	2203.77	776.54	98.65	539.14	233.86	5941.58	39866.18

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MINUTES

of the

MITCHELL COUNTY MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

held with the

LIBERTY HILL BAPTIST CHURCH

Thursday and Friday,

August 30-31, 1945

97th ANNUAL SESSION

Rev. J. H. Henline ---------- Moderator
Rev. Roy D. Campbell ---------- Vice-Moderator
Rev. Frank Parsons ---------- Clerk-Treasurer

Next Annual Session to be held with the Toecane Baptist Church on August 29th, 1946. Rev. Bruce Buchanan to preach the Annual Associational Sermon, with Rev. Frank Parsons, Alternate.

REV. J. H. HENLINE
Moderator of Mitchell County Baptist Association

This is the 12th year our dearly beloved Brother and Moderator has presided over the Mitchell County Baptist Association as Moderator. Only eternity in the Heavenly Home can be trusted to reveal the spiritual value of such services of himself and of that sweet and trusted companion of his whose services have blended to lead many lost souls to higher spiritual visions of life and the Heavenly Home. They are loved and admired. He is a fine business man, a Christian Gentleman, an interpreter of fundamental truth, a servant of righteousness, a wonderful Moderator and Revivalist, a fine Pastor, and an excellent Preacher of the everlasting Gospel of the Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. He is still going strong and may his future years also be continual progress and advancement with the blessings of God forevermore.

"Ye must be born again." John 3:7.

Compiled and Edited by

REV. FRANK PARSONS
Clerk, Treasurer and Historian
Toecane, North Carolina

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." John 3:16.

CONSTITUTION

MITCHELL COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Amended at 1938 Session

Name

Article 1. The name of the body shall be "The Mitchell County Baptist Association."

Object

Article 2. It shall be the object of this Association to furnish the Gospel to all the people of this Association, and to co-operate with the Baptist State Convention in giving the Gospel to all the world.

Membership

Article 3. Membership of this Association shall consist of three classes: 1st. The officers of the Association; 2nd. Pastors of Baptist Churches affiliated with the Association; 3rd. Messengers elected by the churches affiliated with the Association. Every church shall be entitled to three messengers and one additional messenger for every twenty-five members beyond the first hundred members.

Officers

Article 4. The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, a Vice-Moderator, a Clerk, a Treasurer, and a Historian. All these shall be elected by the Association in its annual meeting and shall hold office for one year, or until their successors are elected.

Boards and Committees

Article 5. The Association shall elect each year the following committee: The Executive Committee, consisting of five members from the Association at large. The Moderator, Vice-Moderator and Clerk of the Association shall also be members of this Committee. The committee shall have charge of the work of the Association between meetings of the Association. It shall make a written report to the Association at each meeting of the Association. 2nd. A promotion Committee: This Committee shall consist of the Moderator, Vice-Moderator and Clerk of the Association; also the Superintendent of the County Sunday School Convention, the general director of the B. T. U. of the Association, the president of the W. M. U., and one additional member from each church affiliated with the Association, and all pastors of the Association. Nine members of this committee shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. This committee shall bear the responsibility of bringing the churches of

the Association to co-operation with the program of the Baptist State Convention.

Meetings

Article 6. The Association shall meet annually on Thursday after the Fourth Sunday in August. The fiscal year of the churches affiliated with the Association shall end July 31. Each church shall then prepare its letter to the Association, forward the same to the Clerk at least two weeks before the date of the meeting of the Association. At the request of the Executive Committee, the Moderator may change the time of the meeting of the Association if good and sufficient reason therefore shall occur.

Vacancies

Article 7. The Executive Committee may fill any vacancies occurring in this organization between meetings of the Association. Those so elected will hold office till the next meeting of the Association.

Amendments

1. This constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any session of the Association. Provided that notice of such amendment be given on the first day and the vote taken at the morning of the second day.

By-Laws

1. Any church desiring admission into the fellowship of this body shall make application to the Executive Committee not less than two weeks before the meeting of the Association, and shall submit evidence of orthodoxy in faith and practice, and be ready to give any further information required by the Committee.

The Executive Committee shall submit its recommendations at the first session of the Association to make further investigation as to the desirability of admitting church making application. On the admission of this applicant. When this vote is favorable, the messengers shall receive the hand of fellowship by the Moderator.

2. Any church being shown to have departed from the doctrines or practices recognized by this Association may be suspended or excluded from the Association at any regular meeting by a majority vote of the messengers present.

Associational Directory

OFFICERS

Rev. J. H. Henline, Moderator ---------- Bakersville
Rev. Roy D. Campbell, Vice-Moderator ---------- Bakersville
Rev. Frank Parsons, Clerk and Treasurer ---------- Toecane
Rev. Frank Parsons, Historian ---------- Toecane

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

J. H. Henline ---------- Bakesville
Roy D. Campbell ---------- Bakersville
Frank Parsons ---------- Toecane
W. C. Berry ---------- Bakersville
G. W. Greene ---------- Spruce Pine
C. L. Hoilman ---------- Toecane
Reid Queen ---------- Little Switzerland
W. A. McKinney ---------- Bakersville

COMMITTEE ON TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER

Rev. Floyd Ledford, Rev. J. C. Brown, Homer Buchanan

COMMITTEE ON ORPHANAGE PRODUCE COLLECTION

W. M. Turbyfill, Deward Hefner, Adam Pitman

COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

Roy Keller, G. H. Glass

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION OFFICERS

Rev. J. Astor Buchanan, Supt. ---------- Clarrissa
Rev. Charles Carpenter, Asst. Supt. ---------- Spruce Pine
Rev. Frank Parsons, Secretary ---------- Toecane

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION OFFICERS

Mrs. N. G. Pitman, Supt. ---------- Spruce Pine
Mrs. Ralph Collis, Asso. Supt. ---------- Spruce Pine
Mrs. Roy Keller, Sec. & Treas. ---------- Spruce Pine

REPORTS FOR 1946 SESSION

Periodicals ---------- T. T. Johnson
Deacon's Duty In The Church ---------- Rev. G. H. Glass

Stewardship ---------- Rev. J. C. Brown
Baptist Doctrine ---------- Central Baptist Pastor
Christian Education ---------- Reid Queen
Vlue of B. T. U. to Church ---------- Rev. W. M. Turbyfill
Vlue of Tithing ---------- Elmer B. Willis
Temperance and Public Morals ---------- Col. E. F. Watson
Orphanage ---------- C. L. Hoilman
Hospitals ---------- Bill McKinney
Foreign Missions ---------- Morris Elliott
Home Missions ---------- C. A. Buchanan
State Missions ---------- Frank Hopkins
Baptist Brotherhood ---------- Roy D. Campbell
ChristianLiterature ---------- Roy D. Keller
Aged Ministers ---------- Rev. W. F. McMahan
Obituary ---------- Rev. Floyd Ledford
Historian ---------- Rev. Frank Parsons
Value of D. V. B. Schools to Church ---------- Eules Adkins
W. M. U. ---------- Mrs. N. G. Pittman
Sunday Schools ---------- Rev. J. Astor Buchanan
Sermon: "Baptism & Lord's Supper" ---------- J. H. Henline

PASTORS OF CHURCHES

Eules Adkins ---------- Ramsey Town
J. C. Brown ---------- Cranberry
Bruce Buchanan ---------- Clarrissa
C. A. Buchanan ---------- Toecane
J. Astor Buchanan ---------- Clarissa
Roy D. Campbell ---------- Bakersville
G. H. Glass ---------- Minpro
J. H. Henline ---------- Bakersville
Frank B. Hopkins ---------- Bakersville
Phillip Hightower ---------- Kona
Roy D. Keller ---------- Spruce Pine
Floyd Ledford ---------- Bakersville
W. F. McMahan ---------- Marion
Frank Parsons ---------- Toecane
W. M. Turbyfill ---------- Clarrissa
Chas. Woody ---------- Spruce Pine
W. S. Woody ---------- Spruce Pine

ORDAINED MINISTERS, BUT NOT PASTORS

Raymond Burleson ---------- Estatoe
A. L. Butler ---------- Ewart
Molt Buchanan ---------- Minpro
Fonzer Buchanan ---------- Spruce Pine
Willard Buchanan ---------- Toecane
C. A. Carpenter ---------- Spruce Pine
T. C. Cook ---------- Bakersville
Roy Grindstaff ---------- Spruce Pine
Theo Letterman ---------- Spruce Pine
Ed Lowery ---------- Altapass
W. M. McClellan ---------- Spruce Pine
Arnold McFalls ---------- Marion
Clifford McGee ---------- Estatoe
Vester McKinney ---------- Little Switzerland
A. F. Sparks ---------- Toecane
J. Y. Sparks ---------- Toecane
David Sullins ---------- Altapass
Park Whitson ---------- Bakersville

MESSENGERS LISTED ON 1945 CHURCH LETTERS

ALTAPASS—Deward Hefner, R. L. Hefner, S. A. Pitman, Mildred Hall, L. J. Wiseman, Mrs. David Sullins, John Hall, Joe Sullins.

BAKERSVILLE—Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Berry, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Baker, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest H. Poteat, Mary Helen Berry, Bernita Hughes, Nelda Jones.

BEAR CREEK—Mr. and Mrs. J. Buchanan, Homer Buchanan, Zora Buchanan, J. A. Buchanan, Will Greene, Bessie Greene, Mack Pitman, Duffy Pitman, Irene Buchanan, Claudia Buchanan, Virginia Buchanan.

BEAVER CREEK—Andy Pitman, Chas. Freeman, Bascom Sparks, Dock Henline, Mrs. Susie Duncan, Mrs. Charlie Freeman, Mrs. Roy Grindstaff, Mrs. Dock Henline.

BERRY'S CHAPEL—Steve Biddix, Brown Buchanan, Howard Hall, Mr. and Mrs. Tim Pittman, Harley Hall, Mrs. Agness McKinney, Mrs. Carrie Duncah, Mrs. Lane Buchanan, Mrs. Brown Buchanan.

BIG CRABTREE—C. A. Ledford, Lizzie Sparks, Ethel Buchanan, Ruby Gurley, Lindsey Sparks, Lottie Willis.

BIG ROCK CREEK—Mrs. Jess Gouge, Mrs. Lay Mosley, Pansy Gouge, Jerome Buchanan, Ed. Gouge.

BLACK MOUNTAIN—Reid Queen, S. D. McKinney, G. M. McKinney, C. G. Willis, Wise McKinney, Mrs. R. B. Ballew, Mrs. Wise McKinney, C. B. Glenn.

CANE CREEK—Bert Metcalf, Blaine Buchanan, Mrs. Blaine Buchanan, Dewey Buchanan, Mrs. Lucy Greene.

CENTRAL BAPTIST—Mrs. Ralph Collis, Mrs. R. B. Sparks, Mrs. L. W. Woody, Mrs. Scott Hickey, Esley Buchanan, Mrs. R. P. Stroup, Mrs. W. L. McNeil, Mrs. Clifton Gibbs, Galen Sparks, Jr.

CHESTNUT GROVE—Plato Burnett, Athen Hollifield, Fred Self, Vergie Self, Murve Grindstaff, Vera McKinney.

CUB CREEK—Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Hoilman, Mrs. Belle Campbell, Mrs. Jesse Sparks, Jesse Sparks, Mrs. Addie Hoilman, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Gouge, Mr. and Mrs. Taylor Gouge, Mr. and Mrs. Grove Sparks, Mrs. Minnie Young, Glennie Young.

FIRST BAPTIST—E. F. Watson, E. W. Young, Mrs. N. G. Pitman, Mrs. Fred Dale, Mrs. Floyd Duncah, Mrs. W. H. McKinney, Mrs. R. B. Phillips, Mrs. Howard McKinney.

FORK MOUNTAIN—Ernest Canipe, Park Whitson, Mr. and Mrs. Darvin Hobson, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd McCurry, Edd Harrell, Blanche McKinney, Frank McKinney, S. V. Jones.

GOUGES CREEK—Deck Buchanan, Oscar McClellan, Wilbern Thomas, Clarence Buchanan, J. S. McClellan.

GRASSY CREEK—Mr. and Mrs. Guy Shufford, Tull Dale, James Hall, Fred Glenn, Mrs. Will Wiseman.

KONA—William C. Silver, Gordon Silver, George Silver.

LIBERTY HILL—Mr. and Mrs. Tyson Buchanan, Mrs. J. G. Buchanan, Mrs. Mearl Woody, S. W. Cox, C. C. Woody, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Huskins, Gladys Huskins, Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hoyle.

LILY BRANCH—Mrs. David Hoyles, Mrs. L. B. Greene, C. C. Huskins, Walter Greene, Will Willis, L. B. Greene.

LITTLE ROCK CREEK—Greene Ledford, Charlie Ward, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Blevins, Mae Randolph, Hanford Wilson.

MINE CREEK—Lucian Grindstaff, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Greene, Mr. and Mrs. Vin Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Rile Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Aarnold Gage, Mr. and Mrs. Landon Davis, Nora Greene, Mrs. Lucy McKinney.

MCKINEY COVE—Chas. Ayeers, Zeke Ayers, Mr. and Mrs. Willard Wilson, W. A. McKinney.

MT. CARMEL—Cole Pitman, Chas. Freeman, Nelson Henline, Waits Pitman, Waits Pendley, Bob Freeman.

MOUNTAIN VIEW (Bad Creek)—Glen Garland, Monroe Yelton, Will R. Garland, Mommie Garland.

PINE BRANCH—Ad Pitman, S. C. Sparks, Tom Rhyne, Jeff Buchanan, Will Buchanan, Mrs. Kate Pitman, Farl Buchanan (Mrs.), Mrs. Dollie Young, Mrs. Ibbie Wilson.

REBELS CREEK—Mr. and Mrs. Dan Jarrett, Mrs. Hubert Willis, Mrs. Stella Jarrett, Oscar Murdock.

ROAN MOUNTAIN—Mr. and Mrs. Frank B. Young, Mr. and Mrs. Rafe Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. A. Greene, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Johnson, S. J. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Greene.

ROAN VALLEY—Jay Hobson, Marshall Ayers.

SILVER CHAPEL—Mrs. Retta Gibson, Jeff Sparks, Mrs. Evelyn Thomas, Clyde Robinson, Mrs. Vestina Jarrett, Mrs. Beulah Hensley, Mrs. Geneva Robinson, Mrs. Lola Gouge.

SNOW HILL—Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Blalock, Ernest Johnson, J. L. McNeil, Mr. and Mrs. Stokes Wilson, Betty Turbyfill, Mrs. H. B. Wilson, Mrs. Ada Gouge.

TOECANE—Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Johnson, Mrs. G. B. Gardner, Mr. and Mrs. George McKinney, Mr. and Mrs. Ersel Johnson, Mrs. Frank Parsons, Mrs. Nan Johnson, Mrs. Laura Johnson.

WHITE OAK—Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Byrd, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Cates, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Buchanan, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Henline, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Wilson.

PROGRAM AND PROCEEDINGS

of the Ninety-Seventh Annual Session of the
MITCHELL COUNTY MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
held with the
LIBERTY HILL BAPTIST CHURCH
Thursday and Friday, August 30, 31, 1945

MORNING SESSION

At 10:00 o'clock, A. M., in the Liberty Hill Baptist Church on Thursday, August 30, 1945, Rev. J. H. Henline, Moderator, called the ninety-seventh annual session of the Mitchell County Missionary Baptist Association to order and selected the song and helped to lead the assembled delegates in the singing of "Amazing Grace".

Special prayer was offered at this time by Rev. McMahan.

Worship — Rev. Floyd Ledford delivered the devotional message, taken from the 11th chapter of Hebrews, and brought an interesting devotional message to the churches.

The program was read by the Moderator and adopted by the Associational body.

An extra fine co-operative spirit was shown by the Churches in this session.

Since it was previously voted this session be two days, the body voted to stretch out the time for each speaker so as to cover two full days and one night for the session, but since most all the business was covered the first day and all the speakers got thru and left, practically none except the local church was present that night, since all had a full day of speaking, extra good eats, and lots of them, they went home full, did not seem to be hungry enough to want to return and did not return, just willing for what they had received in brain and stomach to have time to digest and feast on it. Neither did many return the 2nd day and the session came to a close before noon on Friday and for those reasons the session voted to just have a one day session in 1946 and that to be August 29, 1946.

The body voted to receive a newly organized church into this Association at this time, Roan Valley Baptist Church, by name.

Also another church was reinstated at this time, they had been dropped by the Association because they had failed to attend the Association, and they reorganized and asked to be reinstated at this session and were, Gouges Creek Baptist Church by name.

Roll Call of Associational Officers, Executive Committee, Pastors of Churches, New Pastors, New Ordained Ministers, Churches and Messengers from 30 Churches.

Practically every church had mesengers present. 32 of the 33 churches had their letters there. Nearly all pastors were present. Many Deacons and the new Pastors were present.

A large number of visitors and messengers attended this session. One delegate from each church was called upon to give a report by voice of how his Church was getting along. This was with active interest and real zeal in the welfare of their Pastor and church.

Recognition of visitors including the state and local and sister associations, among these were the following: Martin for the Allied Church League; M. A. Huggins, John Arch McMillan, M. H. Kendall, J. B. Willis, R. H. Satterfield, Ruth Keller, Mrs. L. E. Jaeckel from the Asheville Division on W. M. U. work, and others.

Appointment of Committees was made at this time as follows:

A. COMMITTEE ON TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER for the 1946 Association: Rev. Floyd Ledford, Rev. J. C. Brown, Homer Buchanan.

B. COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS: Rev. Roy Keller, Rev. G. H. Glass.

C. COMMITTEE ON ORPHANAGE PRODUCE COLLECTION: Rev. W. M. Turbyfill, Deward Hefner, Adam Pitman.

Election of officers was the next thing taken up. Rev. C. A. Buchanan was elected Moderator. The body voted to let the one that got the next highest number in votes to be Vice-Moderator, so Rev. Roy D. Campbell was Vice-Moderator. Rev. Frank Parsons was elected as Clerk, Treasurer and Historian.

This means that Mr. Henline was elected last year to moderate this session and that the new Moderator, Mr. C. A. Buchanan, will be on next minute.

Temperance and Public Morals, by Col. E. F. Watson, was read and adopted. Col. Watson turned the discussion over to Mr. Martin of the Allied Church League, who spoke on temperance and brought to us a great need and a challenge on this subject.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE AND PUBLIC MORALS

We have been discussing this question for the last one hundred years and it is shameful to admit that we have not gotten very far. Thinking people of our country are deeply concerned at the present condition and within the next two years we are of the opinion that the condition will be even worse than it is today.

Of the ten million choice young men of our nation engaged in war, few of them will return to us in a better moral and spiritual condition than when they went away. We are sad when we think that many of those fine boys that went away will never come back. If Americans had spent one-half as much money for the spreading of the gospel and for the right kind of education that they have spent to prosecute this war that has just now closed, this war would never have occurred. It is now too late to say what might have been. These boys that come back are going to have a broader view of life than they ever had before. The agencies of evil have been so much greater than the influence for good, the watching of men die and all sorts of agony has tended to harden the soul of the boy, instead of making him a better Christian.

The demon, strong drink, is abroad in the land and our politicians are too weak to stand up and fight it and most of our church members are just as weak as the politicians.

The Eighteenth Amendment would never have been enacted but for the religious and moral forces of the country that were back of it. The execution of that law depended upon the same force and it failed. As we all know, we merely sat down and expected the officers of the law to enforce the law and we were too cowardly to help them, except in rare instances. We elect men to the Legislature of North Carolina when we know that they are opposed to prohibition and are perfectly willing to let any part of the state that wants whiskey have it.

Every man who makes whiskey is demoralized. Those who make it, those who sell it, and those who drink it are demoralized. Immorality and drunkenness run hand in hand. From the time that whiskey issues from the coiled and poisonous worm of the distillery until it empties into the hell of crime, dishonor and death, it demoralizes everybody that touches it. All we have to do is to think of the wrecks upon either bank of the stream of death; of the suicides; of the insanity; of the poverty; of the ignorance; of the distress; of the little children tugging at the faded dresses of weeping and de-

spairing wives, asking for bread; of millions struggling with imaginary serpents produced by this devilish thing and of the men of genius it has wrecked. When we think of the jails, of the alms-houses, of the asylums, of the prisons, of the scaffolds upon either bank, we do not wonder that every thoughtful man is prejudiced against alcohol, and yet we see some of our brainiest men destroy themselves with this evil.

Our government makes a great fight against narcotics, but we do not hear of any effort or any fight made on intoxicating liquors.

But why should we, in our church matters, enlarge upon the evils of strong drink, when everyone already knows the result and sees it before his eyes almost daily.

Whiskey is somewhat like the weather. There is a great deal said about it, but mighty little done about it.

Shall we keep up the fight or will we just sit down and let the whiskey and beer barons of Kentucky, Minnesota and some of those other northwestern states take in the money and debauch our youth?

E. F. Watson.

Mr. Huggins, another state speaker, also at this time brought to us a great challenge in his message.

Welcome and announcements were made at this time by the Pastor, Rev. J. C. Brown, to all the audience. He spoke for the Church as well in extending to every one a most cordial welcome and invitation to remain and have dinner with them on the long tables in that lovely church yard.

The Annual Associational Sermon, by Rev. G. H. Glass, was delivered at this time. His subject was "Christ is Master of All His." His script was John 21-1-17. His message was unusually appropriate for the times and was also a challenge to every person that calls himself or herself a follower of Christ. The closing of this sermon with a prayer dismissed the audience for dinner.

Noon — Adjourn for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION

After that the large audience assembled out in the church yard and surrounded those extra long and wide tables loaded full of those extra fine, well prepared, just right, highly seasoned, properly flavored, and well cooked eats that the pastor, Brother J. C. Brown, and I, and you, and all love to eat until the satisfaction is complete and everybody satisfied. Thanks

were returned to the Creator of all good things. After a short rest they assembled back in church for the afternoon session.

Song, with the congregation standing, opened the afternoon session, but few took part in this song, because they took too much part in the good dinner which preceded the song.

Rev. Mack Hodge sung and prayed at this time.

Worship was conducted by Rev. W. S. Woody.

Prayer was offered at this time by one of the Baptist Brothers.

Hospitals, by Rev. C. A. Buchanan, was called for, read and adopted, and was discussed by McMillan.

REPORT ON HOSPITAL

The North Carolina Baptist Hospital was incorporated in 1922 and received its first patient May 23, 1923. Originally planned as a 100-bed institution it was enlarged in 1942 to a capacity of 247 beds and 55 bassinets.

The underlying purpose of the Baptist Hospital has always been medical care for the poor. Since the day it received its first patient it has offered a high type of hospital care on a statewide basis. Its caliber of service was enhanced many times over when the Wake Forest Medical School became a four-year school in 1941 and was located adjacent to the Baptist Hospital. When the Baptist Hospital became a teaching hospital, its purpose became two-fold—teaching and healing, the twin endeavors of Christ.

The Baptist Hospital operates one of the fullest approved schools of nursing in the South.

Respectfully submitted,
C. A. Buchanan

Orphanage report, by Black, was called for, read and adopted, and was also discussed by McMillan.

ORPHANAGE REPORT

As it is well known to Baptists, our Institution for the caring of dependent, helpless children of the State is composed of two homes—"The Kennedy Home" in Kinston and "The Mills Home" in Thomasville. These two homes during the past year, in spite of the tremendous increase in the cost of living, have cared for approximately 700 children, and in addition to this some of the finest and best work done by our Orphanage Representatives was to render service to more than 300 children by helping families work out their domestic problems, thus preventing this number of chil-

dren from having to enter the Institution which would have made it more expensive. Through such efforts, we, as North Carolina Baptists, cared for more than a thousand helpless children during the past year at a cost of $675 a day.

Respectfully submitted,
J. H. Black

Christian Education, by Bill McKinney, was called for, read and adopted. It was also discussed by Kendall of Mars Hill.

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

I beg to submit the following as my report on Christian education:

"During the past five years we have been engaged in the most destructive war of all time. More progress has been made in the field of science and invention than has been made in the past twenty-five years, now that the ravages of war and the noise of battle are about to come to an end, we wonder how man will want to use what he has invented for destruction. We need now, as never before, to have men of strong Christian character and purpose to exert their sobering influence in the ways of peace. We feel that our Christian colleges have an unprecedented opportunity of sending out men and women of high ideals and purposes. This, when we reflect back, is just what our Baptist colleges have been doing. We have sent doctors, lawyers, judges, ministers and missionaries to all parts of the United States and some into foreign countries. It will no doubt be of interest to this group to know that five Mars Hill men are presidents of colleges, another group of five had seats in the last general assembly of North Carolina, five others are serving as superintendents of schools from Wilkes County to Gates, a host of others are making an equally fine record in many walk of life which time will not permit us to mention.

We would like to urge on the Baptist parents of the association the importance of making every effort, even a sacrifice, to avail their children of the opportunities afforded in these Christian schools, you will always find those at the head of our schools ready and anxious to help you with your every problem, financial or otherwise, to give your children a chance to win. It has been our observation that students of these schools have had a rich experience and are leaders wherever they are.

Respectfully submitted,
Bill McKinney

State Missions, by Rev. W. M. Turbyfill, was read and adopted. It was also discussed by Willis.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS

Figures which seem fairly reliable state that of the total world population only one out of every 165 is a Baptist. Of all those in the world who are called Christian and belong to any church that bears a Christian name, only one out of fifty is a Baptist. In our own United States about one out of every six who belong to any branch of the Christian church is Baptist. In North Carolina about *one* out of every *two* belonging to any church belongs to a Baptist church.

Now these striking figures suggest:

Less than one-third of the total world population belongs to any Christian church. What a marvelous opportunity for world missions, and particularly for Baptist world missions. Of significant import is the fact that about one-half of all those in North Carolina who are called Christian are Baptists. And to go a little further, let it be said that one out of every five of the total white population in North Carolina is Baptist. If we include the total population, almost one out of four is a Baptist. This means that if Baptists were genuinely Christian our State would be well on the way toward being a Christian state. And yet every one knows that as a state we are far from being Christian. It means also that Baptists would appear to be at least one-half responsible for the one million human souls in North Carolina who have never yet committed themselves to Christ.

What is the individual to do about this? What is the church to do about it?

We Baptists have a tremendous responsibility to aid in growing a Christian state. To this end let us give our prayers and our means with enthusiasm.

Respectfully submitted,
Wm. Turbyfill

Home Missions, by Jim McKinney, and Foreign Missions, by Mr. Reid Queen, were called for at this time. These missions were discussed by Satterfield and Willis and others.

Report on Christian Literature by T. T. Johnson.

REPORTON CHRISTIAN LITERATURE

Christian Literature.
There is a *lot* of literature in the reading world.
And a lot of it in the Churches.
Mighty little of it is worth a person's valuable time to read it.
The *best of it* is the CHRISTIAN LITERATURE,
The best of the Christian Literature is *put out by the Missionary*

Baptist Church.

And this can be bought from the Baptist departments.

Baptists *need* to read Missionary Baptists Literature.

Of course, *the Bible is first* and the top on the list in the Christian Literature reading line

All the rest of the reading if not based on the Bible it is not worth your reading, and is not Christian Literature, and is not fit for a Baptist to read.

We would recommend the following:

First—Read the Bible daily.

Second—Read Baptist Literature, such as, Baptist Books, Baptist papers, Baptist Periodicals, Baptist Sunday School Quarterlies.

Respectfully submitted,
T. T. Johnson

Aged Ministers, by C. L. Hoilman.

Periodicals, by Roy D. Campbell.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS

"We are submerged chin-deep in poisonous books, in iniquitous magazines, in lurid sheets and yellow journals, hideous and false. No wonder young people and older ones lose their footing. Such unwashed literature is enough to pollute the fountains of virtue, stagnate the clear pool of modesty, and corrupt the Gulf Stream of high ideals."

Every home should have not only the Bible, Christian tracts, mission magazines, Sunday School, Training Union and W. M. U. literature but should be a regular subscriber to the Biblical Recorder, the official organ of our Baptist State Convention, and the weekly sheet "Charity and Children" from the Mills Home Orphanage at Thomasville. The club plan of both these publcations is strongly recommended.

Respectfully submitted,
Roy Campbell

Bible, by W. F. McMahan.

"What An Association Is", by Clarence Johnson.

Church, by Rafe Johnson.

Revivals, by Philip Hightower.

Baptist Brotherhood, by Bruce Buchanan.

Prayer by G. H. Glass.

These reports were called for and nearly all were present and what were there were read and adopted. Then messages and discussions were in order by the local and state representa-

tives. All were very good and exceedingly interesting and challenging as well.

Special music by Fouzer Buchanan.

The report on W. M. U. work was brought by Mrs. N. G. Pitman and Miss Ruth Keller, General Field Worker for the W. M. U. of Raleigh, and Mrs. L. E. Jaeckel, Stewardship Chairman of Asheville Division of W. M. U. and others, and what a wonderful account of the work, interest, zeal, determination, efforts and will power they did present in the W.M.U. challenge. These women are on fire for the Lord, interested in every phase of the work and want every person interested in the furthering of this needed missionary work of Christ and His Church.

REPORT ON W. M. U.

The W. M. U. work has gone forward in adding one new society to our organizations, an increase in gifts to all phases of missionary work we are commanded to bring all the tithes into the store house. This command given to the chosen people of God has not been made of no avail in the New Testament. Bring the tithe is only an expression of our submission to His will. Remember the Lord thy God for it is he who giveth thee power to get wealth. In this we recognize that the tithe is a part of our time talent and physical strength and mind, in the W. M. U. work we strive to carry on the great Commission of Jesus Christ. In our week of prayer we pray and give for all missionary work in Home and Foreign fields. God's people must make plans for there will be unlimited opportunities for preaching the gospel to all Nations. Let us not fail our Master who has commanded us to go into all the world and preach the gospel to all people.

May we be faithful in obedience to this command and heed the needs about us by giving and praying for the missionary work in Mitchell Association.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. N. G. Pittman

PROCEEDINGS OF MITCHELL COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATIONAL W. M. U. MEETING

The Annual W. M. U. Meeting was held with Bakersville Baptist Church on June 17, 1945. Four churches having organizations were represented.

The theme for the entire program was, "Lead On, O King Eternal."

Devotional, Mrs. F. B. Summerlin.

Prayer, Rev. Roy D. Keller.

Roll Call of Churches.
Address by Miss Ruth Keller.
Song.
Address, Miss Pearl Johnson.
Lunch.

Afternoon Session

Devotional.
Prayer.

Mrs. Floyd Duncan, Young People's Leader, discussed Young People's work.

Talk, "How to Enlist Young People," by Mrs. J. R. Morgan, Waynesville, N. C.

Election of Officers: Superintendent, Mrs. W. G. Pittman, Spruce Pine; Secretary and Treasurer, Mrs. Roy Keller, Spruce Pine.

It was decided that the next annual session would be held with Central Baptist Church at the time set by Mrs. J. S. Farmer of Raleigh, N. C.

Report of Hospitality Committee.
Benediction.

Mrs. W. G. Pittman, Supt.
Mrs. Roy D. Keller, Sec.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TIME, PLACE and PREACHER

The Association will meet with Toecane Baptist Church at their request, Aug. 29, 1946, sermon by Rev. Bruce Buchanan.

Alternate, Rev. Frank Parsons.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Floyd Ledford
Rev. J. C. Brown
Homer Buchanan

REPORT ON RESOLUTIONS

Be it resolved by the association:

That we express by a rising vote our appreciation to Bro. J. C. Brown, pastor and to the membership of Liberty Hill Baptist Church for their fine hospitality to us through the bountiful supply of food provided for the nourishment of our bodies; also for the gracious way in which they opened their homes for entertainment.

That our thanks be extended to each one who helped to make our program a success.

Respectfully submitted,
Roy D. Keller
G. H. Glass
Comm.

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FRIDAY EVENING SESSION

Those good women loaded those big tables down the second time, this time for the evening meal, an old-time supper meal in the church yard, and after all this labor mighty few people stayed for the night's session, but we few who did stay, my—how we did eat, and we did not make a dent in those good eats deep enough to see the bottom of a single dish or pie or cake plate. Too much was left over, but I could not help it. I only had one mouth and one stomach. And they were not satisfied with that. Up rolled a truck load of those good, juicy watermelons, and how we did wish for more people to come to eat and bigger stomachs for ourselves. It was not watermelons on the vine, but plenty of melons on the table, and you were welcome.

Devotional song service. In the absence of the Buchanan quartet the Buchanan girls' duet led the evening devotion.

Stewardship, by Rev. Frank Hopkins, was called for, read, and adopted, and then discussed by him.

REPORT ON STEWARDSHIP

God's greatest manifestation of creative power is the human body, or the dwelling place of the Holy Ghost. God has intrusted to the feeble hands of all His saints the important task of keeping a fit abode for the Blessed Comforter. Certainly this is the most evident stewardship of all God's Stewards, because it is so inescapable.

Paul gives us this exhortation in I Corinthians 6:20, "Therefore glorify God in your body and in your spirit, which are God's." We cannot escape or explain away our duty as far as this possession is concerned. It is always before us, we are either being just or unjust stewards in every act that we do in this temple. We not only have a great obligation but we also have a great privilege of being stewards of our bodies since the world can see Christ glorified in a well kept temple. Thus in this very effective way we are performing a twofold stewardship of the body and Glorious Gospel.

God grant that each one of us, as God's stewards, perform this task as unto our Lovely Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Respectfully submitted,
Frank B. Hopkins

Since this was the only report present, the body moved for dismission until the next morning. Thursday's session was

brought to a close at 8 o'clock P. M., to reconvene at 10:00 Friday morning.

Benediction by the Rev. J. C. Brown.

Reports on Tithing, by Elmer B. Willis; Baptist Doctrine, by Rev. Roy D. Keller, Pastor of S. P. First Church; Historian, by Rev. Frank Parsons, Associational Historian; Obituary, by Rev. Floyd Ledford; B. T. U., by Eules Adkins; D. V. B. Schools, by Morris Elliott; Sunday Schools, by J. Astor Buchanan. These reports were all called for, and all were present and read andadopted, and much valuable information was given.

BAPTIST DOCTRINE (In Brief)

I. The Scriptures

The Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments were given by inspiration of God, and are the only sufficient, certain and authoritative rule of all saving knowledge, faith and obedience.

II. God

There is but one God, the Maker, Preserver and Ruler of all things, having in and of himself, all perfections, and being infinite in them all; and to Him all creatures owe the highest love, reverence and obedience.

III. The Trinity

God is revealed to us as Father, Son and Holy Spirit each with distinct personal attributes, but without division of nature, essence or being.

IV. Providence

God from eternity, decrees or permits all things that come to pass, and perpetually upholds, directs and governs all creatures and all events; yet so as not in any wise to be the author or approver of sin nor to destroy the free will and responsibility of intelligent creatures.

V. The Fall of Man

God originally created man in His own image, and free from sin; but, through the temptation of Satan, he transgressed the command of God, and fell from his original holiness and righteousness; whereby his posterity inherit a nature corrupt and wholly opposed to God and His law, under condemnation, and as soon as they are capable of moral action, become actual transgressors.

VI. The Mediator

Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, is the divinely appointed mediator between God and man. Having taken upon Himself human nature, yet without sin, He perfectly fulfilled the law, suffered and died upon the cross for the salvation of sinners.

Roy D. Keller

D. V. B. SCHOOLS REPORT

The Vacation Bible Schools has as its objective the spiritual, mental, and physical development of children, and each summer as soon as public schools close thousands of boys and girls from 3-16 years of age enroll in Bible schools for a period of two weeks. The schools are sponsored by local churches using the plan set forth by our Sunday School Board, and many of these boys and girls are led to Christ who would not otherwise be reached in the regular church program.

We have not supported Vacation Bible School work as enthusiastically as we should have.

Respectfully submitted,
Morris Elliott

OBITUARY

We pause at this time to show our respect to those of our Churches who have passed on to their eternal reward.

They are missed in this Association, but we will remember them.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Floyd Ledford

REPORT ON TRAINING UNION

Jesus Christ, Our Saviour and our Lord, when He would give us our marching orders said, "Go ye into all the World and make disciples, teaching them to observe all things." The Training Union makes possible the realization of this command in the lives of those seeking to do His will as we "Learn to do by doing." The need of this world today, in all of its agony, is Jesus Christ, and that knowledge will come as we who know Him are able to live in a manner that will cause the world to "take knowledge that we have been with Jesus." The Training Union will help us to do this.

Respectfully submitted,
E. G. Adkins

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT—1945

Our Sunday Schools are showing some signs of growth in our Churches. We have at least two new S. S. in our association, namely, Kona and Roan Valley. We have thirty-two S. S. in this association but we have much room for improvement.

Last year we decreased in our S. S. enrollment one hundred and thirty people:

If we are going to teach people to observe all things that Jesus commanded, then we surely must be at it; get pople enrolled in our S. S. and get true consecrated and able teachers and officers to work in our S. S.

Our dear boys are coming home from the terrible scenes of war and bloodshed. Are we going to teach them the ways of peace? God grant that we will.

Let us join our prayers and efforts for greater S. S. in the year ahead.

Respectfully submitted,
J. Astor Buchanan

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MITCHELL COUNTY BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION
Friday, August 10, 1945
MINE CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH

10:00 Song by Mine Creek Choir.
Scripture by Floyd Ledford.
Prayer by Frank Hopkins.
10:15 What is a S. S. Convention for? Astor Buchanan.
10:30 Recognition and Roll Call.
10:45 What a S. S. is and who should attend it—Clarence Johnson.
10:55 Winning Souls in S. S.—Phillip Hightower.
11:10 Special Prayer for Soldiers.
Appointment of Committees.
11:20 Review of Baptist County, State & Southern work—Roy D. Keller.
11:45 Welcome—C. A. Buchanan.
12:15 Convention sermon—Bruce Buchanan.
Lunch.

Afternoon Session

1:15 Song by Mine Creek Choir.
1:20 Devotional.
1:30 Bible, D. N. Jones.
1:40 Prayer—J. C. Brown.
1:50 Tithing by Bill McKinney.
2:00 Should Teachers be chosen by their class or by the Church and Why—G. H. Glass.
2:15 S. S. Discussion by Clifford McGee, T. T. Johnson, Lawrence Conley, J. Y. Sparks and others.
2:45 Discussion: S. School's Greatest Need—C. A. Buchanan.
3:00 N. T. Missionary Baptist Doctrine, W. M. Turbyfill.

3:15 Are Worldly Amusements hurting the S. S.—Led by Superintendents and Pastors and others.
3:30 Purpose and Progress of Centennial Crusade—Roy Campbell.
3:40 History of Sunday Schools and of Missionary Baptists, Frank Parsons.
3:50 Special by Fonzer Buchanan.
4:00 Challenges, Warnings and Comforts—J. H. Henline.
4:30 Adjourn.

Respectfully,
Rev. J. Astor Buchanan, Superintendent.
Rev. Frank Parsons, Secretary.

The Mitchell County Baptist Sunday School Convention met with Mine Creek Baptist Sunday School on Friday, August 10, 1945, for the annual session. Dinner was served in the church yard and what a good dinner and plenty of it and how we did eat.

An inspiring and appropriate and challenging message by Rev. J. C. Brown brought to a close another history-making, momentous session of the Mitchell County Missionary Baptist Association, at Liberty Hill, to meet with Toecane Church on Thursday, August 29, 1946, of next year.

REV. J. H. HENLINE, Moderator.
REV. ROY D. CAMPBELL, Vice-Moderator.
REV. FRANK PARSONS, Clerk, Treasurer, and Historian.

HISTORY
of the
Mitchell County Missionary Baptist Association

What are you doing that for? Cheer up dear Brother, cheer up dear Sister in Christ Jesus our Lord. God-hating devils and such men have always hated God's children and always will. A Christian in this world is in an enemy's world, but God is here with His Children, marching by our side, for He hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee, Heb. 13:5.

"Come now, and let us reason together, saith the Lord: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool." Isa. 1:18.

Baptists have an interesting history. Their history is under the blood, their present is safe, their future is assured, their look is upward, their complete redemption draweth high . . . therefore, be ye one.

"Love is one of the big commodities that the world is short of."

"Love never fails . . . God loves the Baptist people."

With some, WORK is something they have to do when they would rather be doing something else.

With some, LOVE is something they can do when they would rather be doing something else.

Baptist Church History is what the Gospel of Christ Jesus has done for the world . . . and what the world of people have done for the Gospel.

Christian religion presents God instead of self.

The Best Religion is the Christian Religion and Christian religion is Baptist religion and Baptist religion is New Testament religion.

Baptists of 1946 are a part of the First Baptist Church that Jesus established at Jerusalem, but we are not saved by just joining the Church, we join the local body because we are saved and are Baptists.

I can not say that my mother was the finest woman in the world. Because other mothers have done more for me than my mother ever did, because she died when I was a baby.

I can not say that my father was the finest father ever lived, because other fathers have done more for me than my own earthly father ever did.

But I can say, as far as I know, Baptist people are the finest people in the world, because they have done more for me than any other people.

Jesus was a Baptist, he is the head of the Baptist Church. Jesus was a Christian, all Baptists are Christians.

Well, preacher, I know some Baptists that are not good, they are not Baptists then, they are something else.

Why be a Missionary Baptist? It is essential to be a Baptist. Of the very best and finest people on earth are Baptists. All Missionary Baptists are going to Heaven. There is no record in the New Testament or in our life time where any real Missionary Baptist ever went to Hell Fire.

The Age of Responsibility of Life is essential to Repentance of sins toward God, and Faith and Acceptance in Jesus.

Repentance and Faith are essential to the New Birth, to Salvation, to Eternal Life.

New Birth, Salvation, Jesus' Life received are essential to Water Baptism by Immersion (John's kind of baptism).

Water Baptism by Immersion is essential to Church Membership in the Missionary Baptist Church.

Missionary Baptist Church Membership is essential to Communion around the Lord's Table (Jesus' kind).

Communion is essential to Fellowship of the Brethren in the Church.

Fellowship is essential to Growth (Paul's kind).

Growth in Jesus is essential to eternal Rewards (Jesus' kind).

Rewards are essential to a fuller Heaven.

There is a difference in words and actions, in the mouth and the heart, in the body and the soul, in words and the spirit and truth. Everybody talking about Heaven are not preparing to go there. Heaven is above — Hell is beneath, you are standing between the two . . . so choose today which place you are going to and let us know by your life you live here among us today, for tomorrow some other person will need to walk by your light.

One of the fundamental principles of the Missionary Baptist Church is their belief in the supreme authority and absolute sufficiency of the Holy Scriptures; and their separate existence and distinctive principles are the practical and logical result of their attempt to apply this Jesus given, New Testament scripture and principle in all matters of religion, life and duty. Baptists nor any

other person have no right to alter any of the plain and positive New Testament teachings of the Scriptures which Baptists are commanded to follow, which are of Jesus Christ the only begotten Son of the eternal God of Heaven.

Baptists are not afraid of the New Testament but love it and live by it.

Baptists have an honorable history. Their record is clean and clear and open before the world, they are renowned the world over for their loyalty and for their distinctive principles in application. With Baptists two things are supremely worth while . . . religion and liberty . . . these are closely akin.

The Missionary Baptist Church is the oldest Church in the world, in the Bible, in the New Testament. The Missionary Baptist Church did not come out of the Catholic Church, nor out of any holy Catholic church, nor out of any other church, nor did they originate at the Reformation, nor in the Dark Ages, nor in any other century after the Apostles, but with Jesus Christ as the Head and Rock and Founl dation and Chief Corner Stone, as the Theme, Founder of the Church, and Owner, and Shepherd, and Door.

John the Baptist and Christ were the first Baptist Preachers and the first Church in the world was at Jerusalem. It was the first Missionary Baptist Church in the world. Jesus gave to this church the Great Commission of 28:19, 20 Matt. You and I who are Missionary Baptists are a part of this Church and have the same Great Commission given to us. Jesus gave to us our principles which are in the New Testament and are as old as the New Testament and as old as Christianity. The first Christians were Missionary Baptists and were called Christians first at Antioch. Jesus was the Founder and Head and Heart of the Missionary Baptist Church and we as Baptists acknowledge no founder but Jesus Christ.

Baptists have always and always will be champions and believers and stand for civil and religious liberty . . . separation of Church and state. The largest contribution of this New World we live in in America to civilization was the principle of separation of Church and state, and history and Historians ascribe to the Baptists the chief credit for the establishment of this great principle in the United States.

The principles of Baptists commit them to a large program . . . the whole Gospel for the whole world. John 3:16. We are under obligation to match profession with practice. The only Christ that Baptists know and honor is the Christ of the Missionary Baptist Church, of the Gospels, of the New Testament, and he embraced the "world" in his plan of salvation, and in the great commission given to the Missionary Baptist Church, his plan was for the Church to cover the earth, "Go ye into all the world, and preach the Gospel to every creature," Mark 16:15. "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations . . .

even unto the end of the world," Matt. 28:19, 20. "Ye shall be witnesses unto me . . . unto the uttermost part of the earth," Acts 1:8.

Baptists are not Protestants, we did not protest against the Church of Rome, Baptists were not in that church. Baptists have not always been. The Baptist Church only began with Jesus and it began when Jesus called out of the world the first sinner to become a disciple, follower of Jesus, a member of the Baptist Church, a Missionary Baptist. Jesus first named the followers a "Church" in Matt. 16:18. Church was empowered by the Holy Spirit's presence on the day of Pentecost. Acts 2:1. The Baptist Church is the highest honored institution in the world, it is the only institution that the Holy Spirit came to empower and abide in. The Missionary Baptist Church had its birth day in Matt. 16:18.

It is the New Testament that is the only law of Christianity—of us Missionary Baptists.

All of the New Testament is the "Law of Christianity"—of Baptists.

The New Testament is all the "Law of Christianity—of Baptists."

The New Testament has always been and will always be ALL the "Law of Christianity—and of the Missionary Baptists."

May you find much to interest and to edify you herein, but it is a matter of deep regret that the limits of money and space herein are not sufficient to enable the writer to incorporate additional discussion on the great distinctive, plain, characteristic doctrines and practices that have even been held and practiced and loved by us Baptists. Although enough is given herein to acquaint the Church, Home, and individual with what we believe and practice and to equip our own Baptists with the highest and most luminous expression of our Missionary, over nineteen hundred years old, N. T. Biblical, Baptist principles, doctrines and practices.

We do not deny the inspiration or profit of the Old Testament, nor do we deny that the New is a development of the Old. It affirms the Old as typical and was fulfilled by Christ, and as a standard of law and a way of life was nailed to the cross of Christ and so taken out of the way. The principle teaches that we should not go to the Old to find Christian law or Christian Institutions or Christian Church—the Baptist Church, its members, or its ordinances, or its government, or its officers, or its sacrifices, or its worship, or its mission or its future or history.

The New T. is the only law for Christian institutions. We believe the Church with all that pertains to it is strictly a New Testament institution. We do not deny the circumcision of infants under the Old law, but we do deny the baptism of infants under the New Testament Church age. The New T. alone must define the office and function of the elder in the Christian church. Christ

himself appointed its Apostles and its first seventy elders. We shut the Old T. out and shut ourselves up to the New T. teaching concerning the bishop, elder, Preachers .

Christ himself set up His kingdom, established his Church, gave us Christian law, and the man whom He inspired furnished us the only reliable record of these Church institutions. These holy men had no successors in inspiration. The N. T. record is complete. Prophecy and vision have ceased. Let no man dare to add to the N. T. or take from it, or dilute it, or substitute for it. It is written. It is finished. Baptists are still Baptists.

The sole responsibility of decision and action rests directly on the individual soul. Each must give account of himself to God. This is the first principle of New Testament law—to bring each naked soul face to face with God. When the first Baptist voice of John the Baptist broke the silence of four hundred years it startled the world with its appeal to individuality. It was the first step of Christianity. Family ties count nothing. Greek culture nothing. Roman citizenship nothing. Circumcision nothing. O soul, thou art alone before God. Thy right of private judgment is the crown jewel of thy humanity. Individual Churches are time organizations and are punished in time, they do not stand before the great white throne of Judgment in groups, but thy soul shall appear before the Judge.

Baptist principles, distinctives, doctrines, Belief, practice are scriptural, they are founded upon God's Word . . . the New Testament. Their beginning, origin is Scriptural and they are proud of their parentage—the New Testament and Jesus. Each Baptist is a volunteer, not a conscript among them. They believe, therefore they speak and act. They are rooted and grounded in the New Testament. Jesus is the one who established those two eloquent preachers, our two symbolic ordinances in the Baptist Church—Water Baptism by Immersion and the Lord's Supper. Baptists practice them. Why not be pround and thankful for their beginning and Scriptural origin.

If you are not a Baptist, won't you be his disciple and be a Baptist now?

Even the over nineteen hundred years of Christian history of Baptist position, doctrines, principles and practice have been chronicled since Jesus came from Heaven to earth, born in a baby form, lived and grew into manhood, was water baptized of John the Baptist in the river Jordan when around 30 years of age, began the Missionary Baptist movement, headed the Church on earth, laid her foundation, became the chief corner stone of the living building, became the solid rock on which she stands and grows, suffered at the hands of men, was crucified by men, died, and after 3 days rose from among the dead as the first fruits and the first one to

rise never again to die, then after 40 days more ascended to Heaven to intervene for His church followers.

Baptists are still Baptists.

Dear Baptist Brethren:

After 1900 years of Missionary Baptist History of successes and hardships, persecutions and trials of Missionary Baptist martyrs who have paid the supreme price and testified by their sacrificial death to their faith and principle of the New Testament. And after much hard work, months of searching, sacrifice, time and expense of the writer and co-operation of many others, I have finished and herein given to you and to yours this which I have compiled and edited this much this far of the work assigned to me by the Mitchell County Missionary Baptist Association in the 1945 session.

Herein is an exceeding amount of that part of the celebrated, much cherished, practiced, loved and desired, by both young and old of Baptists, of the historic information of the Mitchell County Missionary Baptist Association from the time it was first organized and first named and held the first Association on October 5, 1849, to 1945. Also much other valuable information and history on Missionary Baptist History and Baptist Doctrines.

May "The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Ghost be with you all, both now and forevermore." 2 Cor. 13:14.

Respectfully submitted,

REVEREND FRANK PARSONS, *Historian*

SUMMARY REPORT OF 1945 CHURCH LETTERS of Mitchell County Association

Baptisms 132. Decrease from last year 72.

Churches reported 32. Increase over last year 2.

Pastors in 1945 are 17. Decrease of 1.

Ordained ministers, not pastors, 18. Increase 1.

New Churches in 1945 received in Association 2 — Gouges Creek and Roan Valley.

Church members in 1945 are 5,440. Decrease 39.

Sunday School Enrollment 3,630. Decrease 70.

B. T. U. Enrollment 344. Increase 17.

W. M. U. Enrollment 141. Increase 31.

Deaths this year 54. Increase 11.

Revival meetings 29. Decrease 3.

Gifts by W. M. U. to local work $1,695.95; to Missions $1,430.63. Increase 877.38.

Gifts by Churches to Missions $7,681.88. Increase $1,740.30.

Gifts by churches, all purposes, $48,341.93. Increase $8,475.75.

Cash (not produce) to Orphanages, $3,274.74. Increase $1,070.97.

Cash to Hospital $750.34. Decrease $26.20.

Cash to Red Cross, $365.11. Decrease $174.03.

Cash given by churches to State, Home and Foreign Missions, $1,082.85; an increase of $460.75 over last year.

Cash given to Co-operative Program, $1,186.54. Decrease $58.98.

NORTH CAROLINA BAPTISTS

In this grand state of North Carolina that you and I live in, herein are the following:

68 White Associations.

2 Indian Associations as associate members — Burnt Swamp and Cherokee. These 70 Associations make up the North Carolina State Convention.

There are now 2,696 Churches in North Carolina of Missionry Bptists, a gain over last year of 38.

There are now 586,896 Missionary Baptist Church members

in North Carolina, a gain over last year of 23,308, which is a little more than four per cent gain.

There are 39 Indian Baptist Churches with 4,506 church members in N. C.

26,481 were baptised in North Carolina last year, a gain of 8,314.

524 churches had no baptisms in 1945.

Gifts to all missions, education and benevolences in N. C. mounted to $2,292,892.16, a gain of $357,021.91, or 18.4 per cent.

For all local work, such as debts, buildings, fuel, lights, pastoral support, and other operating expenses, the sum given was $7,848,101.61. This sum represents a gain over last year of $2,033,623.79, or 34.8 per cent.

The total of all gifts to all causes in N. C. was $10,139,933.77. This is a gain over last year of $2,390,645.70, or 30.8 per cent.

28 churches out of 2,696 don't have a Sunday School.

There are 31 mission schools, making a total of 2,699 Sunday Schools, with a membership of 412,660. This is a net gain of 50 schools and 22,402 members compared with last year's figures, or about six per cent.

This has been our greatest year in V. B. S. work. 951 schools have been reported; some not yet reported. An increase of 394 schools over last year, surely.

840 churches have Training Unions; membership 54,607.

Pilot Mountain Association has the most churches, 79; Mitchell has 33, Yancey has 32, Avery 26.

Church membership: Mitchell has 5,440; Yancey 4,800; Avery 2,692.

Baptisms: Mitchell 132, Yancey 122, Avery 146.

N. C. Missionaries appointed for and on foreign fields, 34.

There are 2,386 ordained Baptist ministers in N. C. and 24,011 in the 20 states of the whole Southern Baptist Convention.

The Baptist State Convention of North Carolina was organized in 1830; Southern Baptist Convention was organized in 1845; Mitchell County Association in 1849; Yancey County Association, by present name, in 1879; Avery Association in 1912.

SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION

You have just read about Mitchell County Association and North Carolina State Convention. Now, then, read about the whole Southern Baptist Convention of the 20 states, namely: Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, California, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, Missouri, New Mexico, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia.

Church members	5,667,926
Churches	25,965
Ordained Ministers	24,011
Associations	925
Baptisms	218,223
Sunday Schools	24,626
Sunday School Enrollment	3,380,630
Baptist Training Unions	48,879
B. T. U. Enrollment	759,885
Church Houses	24,165
Total of all gifts	$76,599,420.24
Increase	$13,532,336.40

BAPTISTS in the UNITED STATES AND WORLD

Negro Baptists	4,202,332
Northern Baptists	1,555,914
Southern Baptists	5,667,926
13 Small Baptist Bodies	572,640
otal in United States	11,998,812

Total Baptists in the whole world back in 1941 were 13,314,620. As a comparison, we list the following: Lutheran bodies, 5,017,546; Methodist bodies, 9,611,734; Presbyterian bodies, 2,858,739; Roman Catholics, 22,945,247; Jewish Congregations, 4,641,184.

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OUR DEAD

BAKERSVILLE
Mrs. John C. McBee

BEAR CREEK—
Dexter Duncan (Deacon)
Will Norman
Glenn Willis
Claude Norman
Fred Pittman Young
Clifton Young

BERRY'S CHAPEL—
Jim Mace
Ellis Waycaster
Lewis Hinson
Luther Hall
Bill Buchanan
Mrs. Dallas Hollifield

BIG CRABTREE—
Mrs. Dorothy Sparks

CANE CREEK—
Sam Buchanan
Clayton Buchanan
Dock Snyder (killed in Germany)
Clayton Ward
Mrs. Joe Dellinger

CENTRAL BAPTIST S. P.
Mrs. Ralph McNeil

FIRST BAPTIST S. P.
Mrs. J. M. Burleson
Mrs. Harvey Riddle
Oval Willis

FORK MOUNTAIN—
Wesley Garland
E. W. Birchfield
Mrs. Emma Hobson
Milton Greene

GRASSY CREEK—
Nelson Cox
Stephen Hollifield, Sr.
Grady Smith
Monroe Lowery

LIBERTY HILL—
Mrs. Mary Cox
Dock Hoppes

LILY BRANCH—
Pfc. Clyde Willis
S. Sgt. Jack Fortner

LITTLE ROCK CREEK—
Richmond Randolph

MINE CREEK—
Mrs. Delia Greene

MT. CARMEL—
J. A. Burleson

MOUNTAIN VIEW (Bad Creek)
Martin Greene
Robert Burleson

PINE BRANCH—
Ray Glass
Mrs. Jane Ellis
Miss Willamay Ledford

ROAN MOUNTAIN—
Bealer Buchanan
Mrs. Mary Ann Dillinger

SNOW HILL—
C. A. Ledford, Deacon

TOECANE—
Dub Johnson
Mrs. Sis Roberts
Mrs. Vandaily McKinney

WHITE OAK—
W. C. Wilson
J. T. Wilson
Mrs. Dora Smith
Willie May Ledford
TOTAL DEATHS 54.

TABLE ONE — CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

CHURCHES	City, Town, Country?	When Constituted	PASTORS AND POST OFFICES	Days of Meeting	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP											Weekly Prayer Meet'gs	Rev. Meet'gs Held, Yr.	Obs. Lord's Supper, Yr	Fam. Rec. Bapt. Paper	Does Ch. Have Lib'ry?
					Memb. Last Year	GAINS				LOSSES				Tot. Pres. Mem.	Non-Res. Mem.					
						Baptisms	Letters	Statements	Restorations	Letters	Exclusions	Erasures	Deaths							
Altapass	C	1925	J. Astor Buchanan, S. P.	2 4	52	10	1	3	...	7	...	...	...	39	...	1	1	1	...	...
Bakersville	T	....	Roy D. Campbell, Bakersville	All	181	1	3	...	...	2	...	...	1	172	...	...	...	3	2	...
Bear Creek	C	1830	J. H. Henline, Bakersville	2 4	355	...	12	1	...	4	...	...	7	359	...	1	1	1	...	...
Beaver Creek	C	1916	C. A. Buchanan, Toecane	1 3	118	4	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	119	...	...	2	...	...	...
Berry's Chapel	C	1934	C. A. Buchanan, Toecane	2 4	179	15	6	...	...	2	...	...	6	192	...	1	2	1	...	...
Big Crabtree	C	1920	W. S. Woody, S. P.	1	79	9	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	88	...	1	1	1	...	...
Big Rock Creek	C	....	Floyd Ledford, Bakersville, Rt.	2	32	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	20	...	1	1	1	...	...
Black Mountain	C	1886	Astor Buchanan, S. P.	2 4	150	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	150	30	1	...	1	...	...
Cane Creek	..	....	Clarence Buchanan, Toecane	4	225	...	...	...	...	9	...	...	5	184	...	...	1	...	...	...
Central Baptist	..	....	None	All	145	3	2	...	...	6	...	...	1	143	45	...	...	...	...	...
Chestnut Grove	..	....	G. H. Glass, S. P.	1 3	....	...	2	...	...	1	...	...	...	162	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cub Creek	..	....	Roy D. Campbell, Bakersville	2 4	196	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	191	...	...	...	...	...	...
First Baptist	..	....	Roy D. Keller	All	276	11	7	...	...	7	...	...	3	283	...	1	1	3	17	*
Fork Mountain	..	....	Floyd Ledford	1	183	4	1	1	...	1	...	...	4	184	...	...	1	1	...	...
Gougas Creek	..	....	Charlie Woody, S. P.	2	....	1	3	...	...	2	...	...	...	78	...	...	2	...	...	...
Grassy Creek	—	....	W. F. McMahan, Marion	1 3	....	...	3	...	...	2	...	...	4	268	...	1	...	...	...	...
Kona Baptist	..	....	Phillip Hightower, S. P.	1	14	3	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	19	...	...	2	...	1	...
Liberty Hill	..	....	J. C. Brown, Cranberry	All	326	7	9	...	...	3	...	...	2	337	...	2	...	2	...	...
Lily Branch	..	....	W. M Turbyfill, Clarissa	All	230	7	...	...	...	13	...	...	2	222	63	...	2	1	...	...
Little Rock Creek	..	....	Frank Hopkins, Bakersville	All	....	24	4	...	...	3	...	...	1	158	...	1	1	1	...	...
Mine Creek	..	....	C. A. Buchanan, Toecane	1 3	219	7	2	...	...	1	...	...	1	228	...	*	2	1	...	...
McKinney Cove	..	....	Eules Adkins, Ramsey Town	2	131	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	130	48	1	1	...	...	...
Mt. Carmel	..	....	Bruce Buchanan, Clarissa	1 3	199	3	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	202	...	1	1	1	...	...
M't'n View (Bad Ck.)	..	....	Floyd Ledford, Bakersville	3	68	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	2	66	...	1	1	...	...	...
Pine Branch	..	....	Bruce Buchanan, Clarissa	2 4	395	5	3	...	...	14	...	...	3	386	...	1	1	1	...	...
Rebels Creek	..	....	Elles Adkins, Ramsey Town	2	128	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	128	...	1	1	...	...	...
Roan Mountain	..	....	J. H. Henline, Bakersville	1 3	316	...	...	...	...	7	...	...	2	302	...	1	1	1	...	...
Roan Valley	..	....	Floyd Ledford, Bakersville	4	....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	19	...	...	...	...	...	...
Silver Chapel	..	....	Roy D. Campbell	1 2	191	9	1	...	...	10	...	...	...	191	...	...	1	1	...	...
Snow Hill	..	....	C. A. Buchanan, Toecane	2 4	169	5	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	172	25	1	1	1	...	...
Spring Creek	..	....	....	.....	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Toecane	..	....	Frank Parsons, Toecane	2 4	83	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	3	82	...	1	...	1	...	...
White Oak	..	....	J. H. Henline, Bakersville	1	168	4	...	...	...	1	...	...	4	166	...	1	1	1	...	...
TOTALS	..	....	....	.....	5479	132	...	...	...	...	...	...	54	5440	...	...	29	...	...	...

TABLE TWO — SUNDAY SCHOOLS

ASSOCIATIONAL SECRETARY
Frank Parsons, Toecane

ASSOCIATIONAL SUPT.
Astor Buchanan, Spruce Pine, N. C.

CHURCHES	SUPERINTENDENTS AND POST OFFICES	Cradle Roll, Under 3	Beginners, 3-5 Years	Primaries, 6-8 Years	Juniors, 9-12 Years	Intermediates, 13-16	Young People, 17-24	Adults 25 and Up	Gen., Dept. Officers	Tot. Enrollment, Including Ofcrs. Teachrs.	What is Av. Attend.?	Baptisms from SS	Is the School Graded?	Teachers Holding Dip.	Enrollment Vac. Sch.	Av. Att. Vac. School
Altapass	L. J. Wiseman, Altapass	4	9	...	7	8	8	10	2	47	35	...	...	...	...	...
Bakersville	W. C. Berry, Bakersville	19	8	12	14	22	8	43	...	126	71	1	...	...	35	32
Bear Creek	Jeff Willis, Toecane	...	18	15	45	35	30	110	7	260	160	...	...	...	...	...
Beaver Creek	None Reported	8	12	10	20	12	15	25	2	104	80	...	*	...	...	...
Berry's Chapel	Wm. Green, S. P.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	109	69	...	...	...	35	30
Big Crabtree	Frank King, Wing	7	8	5	5	10	14	12	3	64	60	10	...	...	...	...
Big Rock Creek	A. L. Butler, Ewart	...	6	14	8	8	8	20	...	64	25	...	...	...	35	32
Black Mountain	C. G. Willis, Little Switzerland	16	8	10	16	9	16	20	...	95	35	...	...	...	...	...
Cane Creek	Dewey Buchanan, Hawk	...	...	12	15	15	20	30	...	92	80	...	...	...	40	25
Central Baptist	Geo. W. Greene, S. P.	...	3	6	16	26	15	31	...	97	41	2	...	4	95	73
Chestnut Grove	Athen Hollifield, Little Switzerland	12	13	12	9	8	18	22	...	94	60	...	...	...	...	...
Cub Creek	Maude Bennett, Toecane	...	19	12	14	19	25	40	2	131	85	...	...	...	25	15
First Baptist	Ed. W. Young, Spruce Pine	...	24	35	39	23	25	52	3	201	100	...	*	...	101	78
Fork Mountain	Ernest Canipe, Bakersville, R.F.D.	4	5	12	15	18	20	25	...	99	68	...	...	...	...	...
Gougas Creek	Oscar McClellan, S. P.	...	8	...	4	...	6	17	...	35	50	...	...	...	...	...
Grassy Creek	Bill McKinney, S. P.	10	10	15	51	49	40	47	...	222	127	...	*	10	127	102
Kona Baptist	George Silver, Kona	5	...	15	...	...	15	...	...	35	26	...	...	...	...	...
Liberty Hill	Tyson Buchanan, Estatoe	...	22	20	27	26	18	52	25	190	134	...	*	...	44	43
Lily Branch	F. O. Phillips, Wing	...	14	12	14	22	38	34	...	134	71	...	...	...	...	...
Little Rock Creek	C. H. Ward, Bakersville, Rt. 1	6	10	20	30	25	20	35	...	146	66	...	...	...	52	35
Mine Creek	Lucian Grindstaff, Toecane	...	12	8	12	25	24	35	...	116	80	...	...	...	...	...
McKinney Cove	None Reported	...	8	13	...	...	17	44	...	82	...	...	...	...	33	30
Mt. Carmel	Waits Pitman, S. P.	5	...	30	30	...	30	35	9	139	120	...	...	...	...	...
M't'n View (Bad Ck.)	Earl Burleson, Honeycutt	5	6	8	...	...	12	8	...	39	35	...	...	...	10	10
Pine Branch	Joe Young, Minpro	...	12	10	27	42	43	39	...	186	122	...	...	...	...	...
Rebels Creek	Dan Jarrett, Boonford	...	17	...	15	15	20	20	...	87	72	...	...	...	...	...
Roan Mountain	Clarence Johnson, Bakersville	...	15	11	20	21	19	75	12	173	101	...	...	...	...	...
Roan Valley	....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	28	28	...	...	...	...	...
Silver Chapel	Clyde Robinson, Bandana	...	20	...	25	10	15	50	...	120	90	9	...	...	...	...
Snow Hill	Ernest Johnson, Toecane	...	10	12	15	16	18	40	2	111	75	...	...	...	...	...
Spring Creek	....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Toecane	T. T. Johnson, Toecane	...	4	11	12	12	15	40	...	104	55	...	...	...	...	...
White Oak	George Ledford, Toecane	...	...	7	8	12	15	36	...	90	70	...	...	...	...	...
TOTALS	....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3630	...	...	...	...	...	...

TABLE THREE — BAPTIST TRAINING UNION

CHURCHES	TRAINING UNION DIRECTORS AND POST OFFICES	Adult Unions	Young People's Unions	Intermediate Unions	Junior Unions	Story Hours	Total Unions, St. Hrs.	Adults Enrolled	Young People Enrolled	Intermediates Enrolled	Juniors Enrolled	Story Hours Enrolled	Gen., Dep'tal Officers	Tot. Enr., Un., St. Hrs.	No. St. Cr'se. Awards
Bakersville	Mrs. F. A. Black	...	...	1	1	1	3	...	...	13	9	6	5	33	...
Central Baptist	Mrs. R. P. Stroup, S. P.	1	1	1	1	1	5	12	8	8	5	4	...	37	...
First Baptist	G. E. Ross, S. P.	1	1	1	1	1	5	15	10	13	11	15	3	67	40
Grassy Creek	Lawrance Buchanan, S. P.	1	1	1	1	1	5	10	10	26	20	8	...	74	45
Little Rock Creek	F. B. Hopkins, Bakersville	1	...	1	1	...	3	8	...	11	15	...	5	39	...
Pine Branch	Mrs. Edd Sparks, S. P.	...	1	1	...	...	2	15	20	...	...	...	9	44	18
Toecane	Edith Johnson	1	...	...	1	...	2	30	...	...	16	...	4	50	...
TOTALS	.....	5	4	6	6	4	25	90	48	71	76	33	26	344	...

TABLE FOUR — WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

CHURCHES	PRESIDENTS OF W. M. S. AND POST OFFICES	Number W. M. S.	Number Y. W. A.'s	Number G. A.'s	Number R. A.'s	Number Sunbeams	Total W. M. U. Orgs.	W. M. S. Members	Y. W. A.'s Members	G. A.'s Members	R. A.'s Members	Sunbeam Members	Tot. Members Enrolled	Tot. Enr. Miss. St. Crse	Contributions (Local Work) by W. M. U.	Contributions (Missions) by W. M. U.
Bakersville	Mrs. W. C. Berry, Bakersville	1	...	1	...	1	3	7	...	...	...	...	7	...	151.05	151.05
Central B., S. P.	Mrs. Ed Willis, S. P.	1	1	...	...	...	2	10	16	...	...	...	26	20	.....	218.99
First B., S. P.	Mrs. N. G. Pittman, S. P.	1	1	2	...	1	5	15	10	12	...	16	53	14	.....	460.59
Grassy Creek	Mrs. James Hall, S. P.	1	...	1	...	1	3	15	...	20	...	20	55	...	1544.90	600.00
Pine Branch	Mrs. Tom Rhyne, S. P.	No Report Given to Us									...	...	...	...	.....	.....
TOTALS	.....	4	2	4	...	3	13	47	26	32	...	36	141	34	1695.95	1430.63

TABLE FIVE — GIFTS FOR LOCAL CHURCH WORK

CHURCHES	REGULAR TREASURERS AND POST OFFICES	Pastor's Salary Paid This Year	Other Salaries	Ministerial Help and Supply	Building and Repairs Spent This Year	Church Debt and Interest	Incidentals	Literature for Church Use, S. S., Etc.	Help Given to Local Poor	For Printing Minutes and Clerk of Ass'n	Building Reserve Fund	Other Objects	Total for Local Purposes Given by Church and Its Orgs.	Number of Tithers	Value Food, Clothing Given to Orphanage
Altapass	.....	299.85	.....	40.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3.00	.....	.....	342.85	...	.....
Bakersville	.....	1300.00	.....	187.12	174.92	.....	274.30	80.12	.....	5.00	575.90	54.68	2651.14	...	.....
Bear Creek	Jesse Buchanan	747.47	.....	241.90	.....	.....	273.16	96.00	482.26	10.00	188.32	168.88	2207.99	...	.....
Beaver Creek	L. H. Hunter, S. P.	490.10	.....	19.65	60.00	.....	78.91	36.07	100.10	4.00	.....	.....	784.83	...	.....
Berry's Chapel	Brown Buchanan, S. P.	614.00	.....	236.26	127.77	200.83	145.27	52.98	102.99	.....	.....	58.66	1541.78	...	.....
Big Crabtree	Wash Curley, Boonford	143.35	.....	41.26	345.00	.....	26.00	48.00	30.00	2.00	.....	.....	635.61	...	.....
Big Rock Creek	T. C. Green, Ewart	192.81	.....	.....	.....	.....	12.00	15.84	15.00	2.00	.....	.....	237.65	...	.....
Black Mountain	Reid Queen, Little Switzerland	431.00	.....	28.00	.....	.....	42.00	27.46	.....	2.25	.....	.....	530.71	...	.....
Cane Creek	Louise Green, Hawk	350.00	.....	244.00	.....	.....	70.60	29.50	.....	5.00	.....	4.00	703.10	...	.....
Central Baptist	C. E. Buchanan, S. P.	980.00	.....	49.00	55.36	355.30	712.73	60.49	.....	5.00	168.00	149.24	2530.12	25	.....
Chestnut Grove	Fred Self, Little Switzerland	276.62	.....	30.00	.....	.....	.....	29.00	.....	2.50	.....	.....	438.12	...	20.00
Cub Creek	C. L. Hoilman, Bakersville	186.00	30.00	150.00	300.00	.....	78.50	32.93	79.00	5.00	.....	10.40	869.83	...	.....
First Baptist	Arl. Burleson, S. P.	2034.75	.....	171.75	4531.00	200.00	759.62	248.41	.....	10.00	.....	68.35	8023.88	...	.....
Fork Mountain	Blanche McKinney, Bakersville	270.46	.....	71.13	.....	.....	27.80	31.34	16.00	3.00	.....	72.10	490.93	...	.....
Gougas Creek	Wil. Thomas	125.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	48.00	4.51	.....	.....	173.00	...	.....
Grassy Creek	T. W. Dale, S. P.	600.00	.....	117.00	390.19	.....	97.19	136.18	.....	5.00	105.00	94.36	1544.92	...	.....
Kona Baptist	Geneva Silver, Kona, N. C.	139.00	.....	65.00	.....	.....	.....	8.14	.....	2.00	81.66	25.00	320.80	...	.....
Liberty Hill	B. G. Thomas, S. P.	1600.00	.....	25.00	65.01	.....	624.01	94.83	20.00	5.00	.....	50.00	2483.85	...	.....
Lily Branch	Jobe Murdock, Toecane	755.00	.....	100.14	223.96	.....	61.58	57.57	100.30	2.00	1988.00	17.08	3305.63	7	.....
Little Rock Creek	J. J. Blevins	807.50	.....	155.73	.....	.....	95.94	77.35	.....	4.00	.....	.....	1140.52	8	.....
Mine Creek	W. R. Johnson, Toecane	407.66	.....	176.65	128.00	.....	104.27	58.75	19.20	3.68	.....	95.54	993.75	...	.....
McKinney Cove	W. A. McKinney	427.81	.....	70.25	.....	.....	52.00	26.71	.....	2.00	.....	123.79	702.56	...	.....
Mt. Carmel	Chesley Thomas, Kalmia	440.00	.....	49.00	96.00	.....	125.00	45.00	62.00	3.00	350.00	43.00	1213.00	...	.....
M't'n. View	Monroe Yelverton, Bakersville	75.46	.....	20.00	.....	.....	4.00	11.69	.....	.....	.....	70.00	181.15	...	.....
Pine Branch	Joe Young, Minpro	1146.08	388.37	.....	13.66	.....	455.10	151.41	214.97	.....	.....	.....	2369.59	...	374.36
Rebels Creek	Fred Jarrett, Boonford	167.31	.....	64.00	71.37	.....	44.34	32.88	.....	2.00	.....	.....	381.90	...	.....
Roan Mountain	Mabel T. Young, Clarissa	300.00	.....	16.00	127.11	.....	102.75	68.27	6.50	10.00	720.00	.....	1350.63	...	.....
Roan Valley	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.00	.....	.....	.....	...	.....
Silver Chapel	Mrs. Retta Gibson, Bandana	327.00	.....	60.00	.....	.....	112.91	40.00	.....	2.00	.....	.....	542.91	...	.....
Snow Hill	Magdaline Grindstaff, Toecane	387.32	.....	104.31	.....	.....	48.15	45.65	26.21	4.00	235.32	18.45	869.41	...	.....
Spring Creek	No Report	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	.....
Toecane	Homer Johnson, Toecane	552.01	33.61	.....	.....	.....	67.74	35.73	.....	3.00	.....	98.35	787.44	...	.....
White Oak	Mrs. W. J. Henline	147.36	.....	63.02	.....	.....	49.45	48.62	.....	2.00	.....	.....	310.45	...	.....
TOTALS	.....	16820.92	451.98	2596.17	6709.35	756.15	1545.32	1726.92	1322.53	113.94	4411.50	1221.88	40660.05	...	.....

TABLE SIX — CHURCH PROPERTY

CHURCHES	CHURCH CLERKS AND POST OFFICES	Does Church Own Its House of Worship?	When Was It Built?	What Materials Were Used?	No. Persons Seated	Number of Rooms	Dept. Assembly Rooms	No. Sep. Class Rooms	Value Church House and Grounds	Value Pastor's Home	Total Value All Church Property	Amount of Insurance Carried
Altapass	Lois McKinney, Altapass	Yes	1925	Wood	300	1	2	...	1200.00	....	.....	....
Bakersville	Helen McBees, Bakersville	Yes	1927	Brick	500	12	1	10	10000.00	....	.....	7000
Bear Creek	Homer Buchan, Toecane	Yes	1830	Wood	400	3	...	2	9500.00	....	.....	3000
Beaver Creek	Mrs. Grace Burleson, S. P.	Yes	1914	Wood	350	1	...	...	2060.00	....	.....	....
Berry's Chapel	Lizzie Woody, S. P.	Yes	1934	Wood	300	1	...	...	2000.00	....	.....	2000
Big Crabtree	Ethel Burleson, Burnsville	Yes	1926	Wood	400	1	...	6	1500.00	....	.....	....
Big Rock Creek	Mrs. Frank Whitson, Ewart	Yes	1894	Wood	400	1	...	...	1000.00	....	.....	....
Black Mountain	Reid Queen, Little Switzerland	Yes	1886	Wood	150	1	1	...	1500.00	....	.....	....
Cane Creek	Oakley Buchanan, Hawk	Yes	1906	Wood	...	...	...	...	1000.00	....	.....	....
Central Baptist	R. B. Sparks, S. P.	Yes	1932	Stone	300	10	2	8	9000.00	....	.....	2000
Chestnut Grove	Bernice McKinney, Little Switzerland.	Yes	1923	Wood	225	1	1	...	1500.00	....	.....	....
Cub Creek	C. L. Hoilman, Bakersville	Yes	1939	Brick	400	...	8	...	8830.00	....	.....	....
First Baptist	Ed. W. Young, Spruce Pine	Yes	1939	Stone	450	8	5	8	32000.00	2500	34500	2000
Fork Mountain	Mrs. P. Slagle, Bakersville	Yes	1903	Wood	200	1	...	...	1000.00	....	.....	....
Gougas Creek	D. C. Thomas, S. P.	Yes	1944	Wood	200	1	...	...	2000.00	....	1500	....
Grassy Creek	Edith Collis, S. P.	Yes	1928	Brick	500	9	12	12	12886.64	....	.....	....
Kona Baptist	Savannah Thomas, Kona	Yes	1943	Wood	100	1	...	...	800.00	....	.....	....
Liberty Hill	Mrs. Mearl Woody, Estatoe	Yes	1926	Brick	500	1	...	...	15000.00	....	.....	1000
Lily Branch	Zella Murdock, Toecane	Yes	1939	Stone	450	1	...	...	11224.00	....	.....	....
Little Rock Creek	Mrs. J. J. Blevins	Yes	....	Wood	300	1	...	...	2065.00	....	.....	....
Mine Creek	Mrs. Rile Johnson, Toecane	Yes	1928	Wood	300	1	...	...	3000.00	....	.....	....
McKinney Cove	W. A. McKinney	Yes	1910	Wood	250	1	...	...	2000.00	....	.....	....
Mt. Carmel	Miss Elma Pitman, S. P.	Yes	1923	Wood	300	1	...	...	1200.00	....	.....	....
M't'n View (Bad Ck.)	Nora Garland, Bakersville	Yes	1944	Wood	200	1	...	...	1270.00	....	.....	....
Pine Branch	Tom Rhyne, Minpro	Yes	1923	Wood	350	1	...	...	3000.00	....	.....	2000
Rebels Creek	Mrs. Hubert Willis, Boonford	Yes	1940	Wood	200	1	...	...	1800.00	....	.....	2000
Roan Mountain	Clarence Johnson, Bakersville	Yes	1909	Wood	500	5	...	...	4500.00	....	.....	....
Roan Valley	Marshall Ayers, Bakersville, Rt.	Yes	1945	Wood	35	1	...	...	1500.00	....	.....	....
Silver Chapel	Beulah Hensley (Mrs.), Bandana	Yes	1945	Wood	300	1	...	...	3500.00	....	.....	....
Snow Hill	S. J. Blalock, Toecane	Yes	1915	Wood	500	1	...	...	3000.00	....	.....	....
Spring Creek	.....	...	....	.....	...	...	...	...	.....	....	.....	....
Toecane	Bob Johnson, Toecane	Yes	1916	Wood	400	1	...	...	1400.00	....	.....	....
White Oak	A. B. Wilson, Toecane	Yes	1884	Wood	250	1	...	...	3000.00	....	.....	2000
TOTALS	.....	...	....	.....	...	...	...	...	153935.64	....	.....	....

TABLE SEVEN — GIFTS FOR MISSIONS, EDUCATION AND ALL BENEVOLENCES

CHURCHES	Total to Co-operative Program	Special to Associational Missions	Special to State Missions	Special to Home Missions	Special to Foreign Missions	Special to Schools and Colleges	Special to Theological Seminaries	Special to Orphanage	Special to Hospitals	Special to Ministers' Retirement Fund	Red Cross and Foreign Relief	Other Objects	Total for Missions and Benevolences Given By Church and Orgs.	Grand Total, All Purposes, Given by Church and Its Orgs.
Altapass	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	342.85
Bakersville	53.85	50.00	19.00	49.08	108.02	.....	22.00	351.29	94.97	.....	22.33	61.46	832.00	3483.14
Bear Creek	.....	.....	.....	.....	25.00	.....	.....	269.23	68.35	.....	151.68	.....	514.26	2772.25
Beaver Creek	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	42.16	.....	.....	.....	.....	42.16	826.99
Berry's Chapel	.....	.....	14.35	25.00	.....	.....	.....	48.75	20.24	.....	.....	.....	108.34	1650.12
Big Crabtree	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	15.00	650.61
Big Rock Creek	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	237.65
Black Mountain	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	150.75	20.00	.....	16.20	6.50	193.45	724.16
Cane Creek	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13.75	.....	.....	.....	13.75	716.85
Central Baptist	74.74	50.00	35.70	.....	166.15	80.00	.....	70.20	90.34	4.55	.....	35.90	607.58	3137.70
Chestnut Grove	.....	.....	.....	20.00	.....	.....	.....	15.00	18.00	.....	.....	.....	53.00	491.12
Cub Creek	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50.00	.....	.....	50.00	.....	100.00	969.83
First Baptist	917.95	50.00	11.70	52.37	34.68	.....	50.00	258.98	60.00	81.60	.....	485.59	2002.87	10026.75
Fork Mountain	.....	.....	.....	27.00	.....	.....	.....	23.00	17.75	.....	3.30	.....	71.05	561.98
Gougas Creek	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	173.00
Grassy Creek	25.00	.....	95.00	125.00	105.00	.....	.....	190.00	50.00	.....	5.00	.....	595.00	2139.92
Kona Baptist	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	10.50	331.30
Liberty Hill	75.00	.....	15.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	426.25	100.00	.....	.....	.....	616.25	3100.10
Lily Branch	.....	.....	.....	10.60	.....	.....	.....	36.50	28.77	.....	20.00	.....	95.87	3401.50
Little Rock Creek	.....	.....	.....	.....	33.00	.....	.....	12.00	23.51	.....	.....	.....	68.51	1209.63
Mine Creek	.....	.....	9.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.40	.....	.....	.....	.....	14.40	1008.15
McKinney Cove	.....	.....	.....	.....	48.15	.....	.....	97.09	28.50	.....	16.00	.....	189.74	892.30
Mt. Carmel	.....	.....	15.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	15.00	21.25	.....	.....	.....	51.25	1264.25
M't'n View (Bad Ck.)	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3.35	4.00	.....	3.00	.....	10.35	191.50
Pine Branch	.....	44.70	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	374.36	35.00	.....	.....	.....	454.06	2823.65
Rebels Creek	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	152.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	152.20	534.10
Roan Mountain	40.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	464.07	40.00	.....	.....	.....	544.07	1894.70
Silver Chapel	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	43.00	.....	.....	50.00	.....	93.00	635.91
Snow Hill	.....	.....	.....	.....	12.00	.....	.....	53.80	.....	.....	9.60	.....	75.40	944.81
Spring Creek	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Toecane	.....	.....	.....	8.65	18.40	.....	.....	80.81	15.91	.....	.....	.....	123.77	911.21
White Oak	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	16.05	.....	.....	18.00	.....	34.05	344.50
TOTALS	1186.54	194.70	214.75	317.70	550.40	80.00	72.00	3274.74	750.34	86.15	365.11	589.45	7681.88	48341.93